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KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE WITH HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S FORCES.

EARLY—February 13, 1941, killed in action, Fergus, Royal Air Force, son of the late William and Margaret Early, Dublin street, Carlow.

BIRTHS.

GETHINGS—February 7, 1941, at Maternity Home, Douglas, Isle of Man, to Kathleen, wife of Victor Gethings, Baldrine Farm, a daughter.

KIRWAN—February 8, 1941, at Ballycar, Newmarket-on-Fergus, to Lucy, wife of D. J. Kirwan, Cliffe, Rochester, Kent, a daughter.

PONSONBY—February 15, 1941, at the Wallgarden, Burwood Park, Walton-on-Thames, to Patricia, wife of 2nd Lieutenant Arthur M. L. Ponsonby, a son.

MARRIAGES.

MACNAMARA and WILLIS—January 2, 1941, at Hartsbill Parish Church, by the Rev. R. H. Wyett; Dr. Charles W. L. Macnamara, elder son of the late Mr. S. R. Macnamara, L.D.S., R.C.S.I., and Mrs. Macnamara, of 66 Lower Leeson street, Dublin, to Eileen Ann, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Willis, 79 Hartshill road, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs.

MURPHY and HUGGARD—January 22, 1941, at University Church, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin; Michael J. Murphy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Murphy, Lord Edward street, Ballina, and 5 Charlemont terrace, Dun Laoghaire, to Joan, daughter of William S. Huggard, Ballina House, Ballina, Co. Mayo.

DEATHS.

ATKINSON—January 1, 1941, at Houston, Texas, Joseph J. Atkinson, second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. Swords Atkinson, Straffan, Co. Kildare.

BELL—February 12, 1941, at Cork, James, only surviving son of the late Thomas and Alice Bell, Brannockstown, Co. Kildare. At Rest.

BEX—February 16, 1941, at Northampton, Annie, wife of the late Arthur H. Bex, aged 76.

CHAMBERS—February 14, 1941, at Ardmaine Nursing Home, Newry, Edith E. Chambers, widow of John V. Chambers, Manager of Provincial Bank, Skibbereen, Co. Cork, and daughter of the late Rev. John Bryson, LL.D., Fourtowns, Newry. Funeral private.

COLCLOUGH—February 16, 1941, at Blindwood, Redcross, Wicklow, Elizabeth, wife of Henry Colclough. Funeral to-day (Tuesday), 2.30 p.m., to Redcross. "Peace, perfect peace."

DAVIES—February 13, 1941, at a London nursing home, Edward J. (Ned), second son of the late James Taaffe Davies, D.I., R.I.C., and the late Mrs. Agnes Davies, 21 Garville avenue, Rathgar. Interment in London to-day (Tuesday). R.I.P.

GALWAY—February 17, 1941, Mary, beloved wife of Robert Galway (senior), Ashtown, Castleknock, Co. Dublin. Funeral from Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital at 3 p.m. for Castleknock to-morrow (Wednesday), 19th February. "Peace, perfect peace." English and Colonial papers please copy.

HAWORTH—February 15, 1941, at his daughter's residence, Northwich, Cheshire, John, late Inspector, Refuge Assurance Co., Ltd., Dublin.

HILL—February 17, 1941, at the Home of Rest, Camden row, Dublin, Alice Margaret, widow of late William Hill, formerly of Cherry Hill, Maryborough. Funeral arriving at Maryborough Church, 3 o'clock, to-morrow (Wednesday). "Come unto Me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

JAMESON—February 15, 1941, at his home, Sutton House, Sutton, in his 86th year, the Right Honourable Andrew Jameson, D.L. Service, Howth Parish Church, 10 a.m., to-day (Tuesday), February 18th. Funeral at St. Fintan's, Sutton.

KAVANAGH—February 16, 1941 (suddenly), at 13 Wesley road, Rathgar, Alice, widow of the late William Kavanagh. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral (strictly private) from Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar, to-day (Tuesday), after 10 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin. No flowers.

LITTON—February 14, 1941, at a nursing home, Dublin, Georgina Elizabeth, daughter of the late Edward Thomas Litton, aged 67. Funeral private.

LUNDY—February 16, 1941, at a Dublin hospital, William, dearly-loved husband of Abigail Lundy. Funeral to-day (Tuesday), arriving Mount Jerome, 9.45 a.m.

PARKER—February 16, 1941, at his home, 20 Wardie Crescent, Edinburgh, James Hart Parker, Seedsman of Messrs. Charles Sharpe and Co., Ltd., in his 73rd year.

RYAN—February 16, 1941 (suddenly), at his residence, 13 Castlewood avenue, Dublin, Eric T. Ryan, L.P.S.I., aged 42 years. "At Rest." Funeral strictly private.

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IN MEMORIAM.

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C. HARRINGTON, Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, City Hall, Cork,
17th February, 1941.

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WANTED, GENERAL MAN (outdoor) for Dairy and Farm work; early riser essential. Reply, stating wages expected, Valentine, St. Ita's, Blackrock, Dublin. 17 C

WANTED, GIRL, Retail Shop; state age, particulars; 10/- weekly.—T 808, this office.

REPRESENTATIVES.

PRINTING TRAVELLER REQUIRED.

A vacancy has occurred for a QUALIFIED MAN to represent us in Belfast and District. Must have good credentials, a thorough knowledge of the trade, and be a capable salesman.
Give full particulars, experience, age, etc.
McCAW, STEVENSON AND ORR, LTD., THE LINENHALL WORKS, BELFAST. 15 B

WELL known firm of Confectioners wish to appoint AGENTS in each county. Applications invited, giving full particulars of connections, experience, etc., stating towns visited; preference to those calling regularly on confectioners and sweet shops. Address "Z 336, Agents," this office.

MEDICAL, NURSING, ETC.

JUNIOR LADY ASSISTANT, just completed apprenticeship, WANTED for Dublin; good appearance and thorough knowledge of cosmetics essential.—T 705, this office. 14 C

LARGE Doctor's Bag, as new, cost £3 10/-.—T 814, this office.

MERRION square—Consulting Room, furnished or unfurnished, use of waiting room and service.—T 834, this office.

NURSE ATTENDANT REQUIRED daily, afternoons, Mount Merrion; state terms.—T 836, this office.

OPTICIAN REQUIRED, lens edger. Apply Picton Scott, 4 South Anne street. 17 C

WANTED to Purchase, good class Pharmacy, going concern; investigation demanded; preferably near Dublin. Address "Z 323, Pharmacy," this office. 17 C

DOMESTICS.

WANTED, two young country GIRLS, C. of I., to train housework, some cooking. Reply, Advertiser, 10 Cliftonville avenue, Belfast. 17 C

WANTED, GIRL for DAILY WORK. Apply Macdonald, 59 Ranelagh.

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS.

COOK GENERAL WANTED, end of month, city; must be good cook. Reply, stating experience, wages, and enclose copies of references. Address "Z 337, Cook General," this office. 17 D

EXPERIENCED COOK GENERAL or WORKING HOUSEKEEPER WANTED, under 40. Dartry district: another maid kept; good wages and nice home to conscientious person.—T 854, this office. 17 C

EXPERIENCED COOK GENERAL WANTED, four adults; good wages to suitable girl. Apply 14 Avoca avenue, Blackrock.

WANTED, next month, young, experienced, agreeable COOK GENERAL; consistently good cooking essential; R.C.; housemaid and nurse kept; 3 children; non-basement house; salary £36. Apply, enclosing copies, T 713, this office.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS.

WANTED, young HOUSE PARLOURMAID; good references essential. Apply by letter, or call after 6, Mrs. O'Farrell, Park House, Booterstown avenue. 17 C

WANTED February 26th, young HOUSE PARLOURMAID, doctor's house, city. Address "Z 325, Maid," this office.

YOUNG, experienced HOUSE PARLOURMAID, Malahide, on 'bus route, two in family; good references essential. Address "Z 288, Maid," this office. 14 B

GENERAL SERVANTS.

A SUPERIOR, experienced GENERAL, good cook essential; modern house, Dublin; Esse cooker, family four; copies references, age; £40.—T 852, this office.

EXPERIENCED GENERAL; honest; excellent home.—T 809, this office.

WANTED, good GENERAL MAID, help for farmer's residence; convenient Lisburn and Belfast.—Box No. 230, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 14 B

WANTED, GENERAL, Protestant, superior class, able take entire charge if required; all duties; good cook; family 2; country rectory; help given; send copies, stating wages. Address "Z 313, General," this office. 16 C

WANTED, young, country GENERAL; 3 children; partly trained might suit.—51 Glandore road, Griffith avenue.

YOUNG GENERAL REQUIRED; cooking; second maid kept.—20 Waterloo road.

NURSES.

AT Useful People, 38 Dame street—Vacancies for Princess Christian Nurses.

CAN any lady recommend superior Protestant GIRL as NURSERY MAID; previous experience not essential. Apply Mrs. Purdon Coote, Bearforest, Mallow, Co. 15 C

WANTED, middle of March, experienced R.C. NURSE, two babies, sixteen months and two months; country place, near 'bus. All particulars and copies of references to Mrs. Blake, Heath House, Maryborough. 16 C

SITUATIONS WANTED.

ADAPTABLE Houseman, 21, references, Dublin, all duties; 10/- weekly.—T 848, this office.

COOK House Man, general, all duties, singlehanded or cattle and dairy if required; early riser; desires position with family anywhere, city or country; age under 40; R.C.—T 851, this office. 17 C

FOUNDER of Cambridge Irish Society seeks position of trust.—T 807, this office. 17 C

GARDENER disengaged, competent, painstaking, hardworking; now in suburbs; highly recommended.—T 779, this office. 15 B

GARDENER or Steward and Gardener, married; open for engagement; thoroughly experienced all branches; excellent testimonials.—T 825, this office. 17 D

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SUPERIOR Married Couple seeks situation, wife excellent cook, man House Parlourman, do entire work of small house; town or country; highly recommended; moderate wages.—T 725, this office. 14 B

SITUATION required as Working Steward; experienced in mixed farming, thoroughly understands machinery repair and construction of farm buildings. Address "Z 324, Steward," this office. 17 C

WELL educated young Lady desires position; no previous experience; would travel.—T 811, this office. 17 C

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YOUNG Girl, train Waitress; good references.—T 793, this office.

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YARDMAN, good milker, disengaged, fully understands cattle, gardening; highly recommended; strict T.T.—T 844, this office. 17 C

YOUNG Girl, experience in large provincial town, seeks situation as Shorthand-Typist or Bookkeeper in Dublin; first class certificates and best references.—T 849, this office.

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ALL Professional and University Preliminaries, Oral and Correspondence.—McGuire's College, Gardiner's Row, Dublin. T

AT 18 Stephen's Green, 2nd Floor—French Tuition, private or conversation classes.—Mademoiselle Giudicelli. 22 X

DANCE Drama—Beginners' Course Starting, 8/- monthly.—Irish School of Dance Art, 39 Harcourt street. 13 X

FRENCH Lessons and Conversation by Native Speaker.—René Buhler, 25 Lower Baggot street. 18 12

LADY receives young Pupils; all subjects; own home, Blackrock.—T 810, this office.

STAGE—Dublin School of Tuition have Vacancies for refined Pupils; terms reasonable.—T 853, this office.

MEDICAL, NURSING, ETC.

SPINAL, Nerve, Limb Manipulation, medical electricity; moderate fees.—Mr. Leonard Cohen, 126 Stephen's Green, next door cinema. 'Phone 52402. 17 E

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SUPERIOR W. H'keeper, excel. cook, thoroughly recommended; suit priest.—Clarke's Reg., 30 Dawson st.

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COOK General or General; adults; good, long references.—T 787, this office.

COOK General wishes situation; excellent cook; long reference; suburbs.—T 794, this office.

EXPERIENCED Cook General seeks post; South suburbs preferred. Address "Z 318, Cook," this office.

SINGLEHANDED Cook; understands dairy; well recommended. Address "Z 317, Cook," this office.

SISTERS, superior, settled Cook, House Parlourmaid; highest references.—830, Irish Times Branch Office, Dun Laoghaire.

GENERAL SERVANTS.

A GENERAL seeks work; good references.—T 804, this office.

EXPERIENCED General; city business house; good papers.—T 802, this office.

EXPERIENCED General, free 25th inst.; Donnybrook or Rathgar preferred. Address "Z 319, General," this office.

GENERAL, young; good references; Jewish family.—T 786, this office.

GENERAL, experienced; adult family; South side; good references.—T 801, this office.

GENERAL or Cook General; good references.—T 798, this office.

GENERAL, 19, £24-£30, two adults or lady; suburbs. Address "Z 316, General," this office. 17 C

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LADY recommends superior country Girl, General or Housemaid.—Box 767, Dixon, Dun Laoghaire. 15 B

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SETTLED General, experienced; business house or private; good references.—T 800, this office.

SUPERIOR, middle aged General, free; excellent, long reference; recommended.—185, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

YOUNG General, daily, disengaged; good references; Rathmines district preferred.—R O 491, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

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HOUSE Parlourmaid or Housemaid Waitress; good references.—T 803, this office.

YOUNG country Girl wishes place Housemaid or General, Dun Laoghaire or Dublin; highly recommended.—834, Irish Times Branch Office, Dun Laoghaire. 17 C

YOUNG country Girl wishes situation, H.P'maid or General, small family; experienced.—S. Stacey, Castle Kevin, Annamoe. 17 C

NURSES.

TRAINED Nurse (R.C.): infants, toddlers; country, convenient Dublin; comfortable home principal object.—T 729, this office. 14 B

KITCHEN, LAUNDRY, ETC.

A KITCHENMAID or Pantrymaid; good references.—T 788, this office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ABDOMINAL Belts, Artificial Limbs, Elastic Stockings, Knee-caps, Anklets, Jock Straps, Suspensory Bandages, Trusses, Ladies' Sprays, Enemas, Douches, Syringes, Braces for Correcting Stoop and Round Shoulders. All Surgical Requisites, Cheapest House in town. Catalogues.—Dublin Medical Stores, Fownes street (off Dame street). T

ANTISEPTIC Electrolysis Removes Hair permanently without mark. Consultations free.—Miss Read, Certified Specialist, Second Floor, 4 Dawson street. Hours 10-5. Telephone, 43833. X

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CHROMIUM Plating—Hall Door and Bathroom Fittings, Name Plates, Rails. We stock Chromium Plated Tubing, Stainless Steel Angle, Strip and Step Plates.—James Fox and Co., Ltd., Manufacturers, Chromium and Electro Platers, Wellington Quay, Dublin. X

FOR God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—St. John iii. 16.

GIRLS' Pure Wool Jumpers, style with collar to fit ages 6 to 12 years, ideal for school wear, shades, beige, bottlegreen and dark red; price 4/11 each.—Pim Bros., Limited, George's street, Dublin.

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PRACTICALLY Invisible Mending can be performed by using Mend-Quick, the wonder fluid that repairs holes in all kinds of clothing material, lace curtains, etc. Dries in a minute. Will stand washing, boiling, ironing, etc. Prevents silk stockings from laddering. Amazing labour saver. Trial Tube 1/-, post free, from P. Moran, Brackalisles, Draperstown, Co. Derry. 14 B

SOUND Sleep is nature's restorative, and Hiltonia Mattresses ensure it in comfort. 22 X

TENNIS Lessons Wanted, coach's court, Saturday's, beginner; state terms.—T 697, this office. 14 B

WALPOLE'S offer very dainty, new design Art Silk Tablecloths, 1¼ yards square, blue, green or gold; price 8/11 each. 10/- orders post free.—Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin. T

FOR FURTHER SMALL ADVTS. SEE PAGE 1.

A fire on the farm of Mr. Samuel Wilson, Monkstown, Antrim, destroyed a pike of hay on Saturday night. People living near, with buckets of water, prevented the outbreak from spreading.

Specific Articles

FOR SALE.

ALL Waterproof Covers for carts, vans, threshers, lorries; Rick Covers, Sacks, Bags; best terms.—Coleman, 21-25 Chancery street, Dublin. T

COVERS for ricks, carts, threshers, lorries; Tarpaulins, Sacks.—Petrie Brothers, 36 Usher's quay, Dublin. T

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OUR Celluloid Stencils make everyone a printer; experience unnecessary; showcard outfit 3/-, poster 5/-; post, duty free.—Print-a-Sign, 23 Blackburn street, Glasgow, S.W.1.

PAIR beautiful old Cut Glass Chandeliers; 65 guineas; seen by appointment. — T 832, this office.

TYPEWRITERS, all makes, from £4; fully guaranteed.—Norman Engineering Works, Trinity street. Established 1897. 32 14

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SHOOTING, SPORTING, GAMES.

GARNETT'S for Shooting and Fishing Tackle, Rods, Reels, Flies and Baits, Guns, Rifles and Ammunition. Secondhand Guns and Rods Purchased.—Anglers' Resort, Parliament street Dublin. T

GUNS—Rifles, Cartridges, accessories; Gun Repairs, Rabbit Nets, Ferreting sundries.—Keegan, Inns quay, Dublin. 17 A

WANTED.

OLD GOLD WANTED. MUCH MORE THAN SMELTING PRICES PAID. Sovereigns, Jewellery, Medals, Watches, etc. ORGEL, 35 NASSAU ST.

HIGHEST prices, Discarded Mattresses, Feather Beds, Old Clothes, Shoes. Call hotels, institutions.—T 812, this office. 15 C

SAFE and Adding Machine Wanted.—T 770, this office. 15 D

WANTED to Buy, Books, Magazines, Novels, China, etc.—Woods, 77 Aungier street. 15 C

WANTED Fire Proof Safe, minimum inside measurements 21 x 19 x 15; must be in very good condition.—T 817, this office.

WANTED, Secondhand Anthracite Cooking Stove.—Court Laundry, Harcourt street, Dublin. 17 C

PRAMS.

ALL Cash and Easy Payment Orders for Prams and Folders sent carriage paid; Cots, Mattresses, Moses' Baskets, Pillows, Rugs, High Chairs, Play Pens, etc. always in stock.—Stevens (established 1896), 8 Aston's quay, 244 Rathmines road, 171 North Strand. T

BARRON'S Prams are cheaper for cash or terms. Write for catalogue.—1 North Earl street, Dublin T

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AMERICAN MARKETS

STOCK EXCHANGE IDLE

From Reuter's Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Monday.

The mild extension of Saturday's upward crawl, on a belief that the recent approaches to the June low levels warranted a modest comeback, was rendered unimpressive by apathetic dealings, with bidding soon subsiding.

The turnover of 360,000 shares comprised 661 issues, of which 302 advanced, 177 declined, and 182 remained unchanged.

Taxes and war fears remained the impediments to any broadening in demand, and the market continued to be idle, with no definite trend apparent. The decline in Steel activity is merely momentary, as a result of shutdowns for repairs and the labour strike in Youngstown. It is predicted that the motor industry will have the greatest first quarter in history. The market tended to settle down to a state of inertia, but closed steady.

	Mon.	Sat.
Call Money	1%	1%
London Cables	4.03¼	4.03¼
Montreal Cables	4.77⅜	4.81⅜

Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid. Mon.	Sat.
4	Baltimore and Ohio	3¼	3⅜
4	Canadian Pacific	3¼	3⅛
72 13/16	Louisville and Nashville	58¾	58½
14 13/16	N.Y. Central	12¼	12⅛
250 5/16	Norfolk and W. Common	202	198½
27⅞	Pennsylvania	22½	22½
15½	Reading	12½	12⅜
10 5/16	Southern Pacific	8⅜	8⅜
14 9/16	Southern Railway	11¾	11½
94 15/16	Union Pacific	76½	76
	INDUSTRIALS.		
179⅝	Allied Chemical	145	144
—	American Locomotive	—	—
—	American Metal	—	—
102¼	American Can	82½	81½
48 5/16	American Smelting	39	38½
197 7/16	American Tel. and Tel.	159⅜	159½
28⅜	Anaconda Copper	22⅞	22½
94 15/16	Bethlehem Steel	76⅝	76¼
—	Case (J. L.)	—	—
80¼	Chrysler Corp.	64⅝	64¼
155 7/16	Eastman Kodak	125½	126½
38 9/16	General Electric	31⅛	30½
51 7/16	General Motors	41½	41⅜
29 7/16	International Nickel	23¾	23½
2½	Do. Tel. and Tel.	2	2
39 3/16	Kennecott Copp.	31⅝	31½
4 15/16	Radio Corporation	4	4
13½	Shell Union	10⅞	10¾
23 1/16	U.S. Rubber	18⅝	18⅝
71¾	U.S. Steel Common	57⅞	57⅜
147 7/16	Do. Preferred	119	119½
37⅞	Woolworth	30⅝	30¼
—	Silver Com. Bars	34¾	—
4 7/16	Brazilian Traction	3⅝	3⅝
9 7/16	B.A. Tobacco Coupon	7⅝	7⅝
	BONDS.		
140⅛	U.S. Treasury 3¾% '46-56	113⅛	—
14¾	7% German External Loan	11⅞	—

† Ex dividend.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv		Closing Bid Mon	Sat.
174½	Bell Tel. (Canada)	156	156
6¾	Brazilian T.L. and P.	5½	5¼
22 5/16	B.C. Power "A"	20½	24
1⅝	Do. "B"	1.25	1.25
7 5/16	Canadian Car and F.	6½	6½
25 5/16	Do. Preferred	22½	22¼
25 5/16	Canadian Celanese Com.	22½	22½
126 7/16	Do. Pref.	113	113
5 1/16	Canadian Cement	4½	4½
5 1/16	Canadian Pacific	4¾	4⅝
5 1/16	Cockshutt Plow	4½	4½
39 3/16	Con. M. and Smelt.	35	35
27⅜	Distillers' Seagrams	24¼	24⅛
83⅞	Dom. Textiles	75	72
10 5/16	Imperial Oil	9½	9¼
13⅛	Imperial Tobacco (Canada)	11¾	11½
36 1/16	International Nickel of Canada	32¼	31½
15¼	International Petroleum	13⅝	13⅝
2 13/16	Massey Harris	3⅛	3⅛
28 13/16	Montreal Light and Heat	25¾	26
28⅛	National Brewers	26½	25¼
34 11/16	National Steel Car	31	30
7 9/16	Power Corp. (Canada)	6¾	4½
14 9/16	Quebec Power	13	13
68¼	Shawinigan Water	61	16⅛
11 7/16	Southern Canadian Power	10¼	10½
69⅜	Steel Co. of Canada	61	62
14	Hollinger Mines	12½	12½
57 1/16	Noranda Mines	51	49¾
204⅜	Bank of Montreal	183	183
173⅜	Canadian Bank of Commerce	155	155
173⅜	Royal Bank of Canada	155	155
	CURB PRICES.		
43⅝	Hiram Walker	39	38
20 15/16	Lake Shore Mines	18¾	18½
52¼	McIntyre Porcupine	46¾	46½

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

Wheat irregular, ⅛c up to 1⅛c. down. No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 89, No. 2 Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 87, No. 2 hard winter spot c.i.f. New York 100¼, No. 2 red winter spot 99⅞. **Maize** barely steady, ⅞c. lower, Western No. 2 mixed spot 76⅝. **Oats** barely steady, ¾c. decline. No. 2 white, per 36lb., c.i.f. New York 49. **Rye** easy, 1c. loss. No. 2 spot f.o.b. New York 60¾. **Barley** steady, ⅛c. lower. No. 2 New York, all growths Federal inspected, 64⅞. **Flour** steady, generally unchanged. **Lard** steady, 2½ points down to unchanged. Prime Western steam loose spot 5.87½, Middle West 6.25 to 6.35. **Petroleum** steady. **Burlaps** steady. Hessian cloth, light-weight 7.00, heavy 9.15. **Tallow** steady. Spot extra loose 5, spot special extra 4⅞, spot in tierces 5¼. **Cottonseed Oil** barely steady, with spot 5 points down and futures 9 to 6 points down. Contract basis bleachable prime summer yellow grade—Spot 6.00. Closing options—March 6.07, May 6.17, July 6.28, Sept. 6.35. **Shellac**—T.N. 16½. **Turpentine** (bulk basis)—Spot 43 (barrel). **Tin** steady, 20 to 15 points up. Closing options:—Straits—March 51.30 to 51.40, May 51.37 to 51.50. Standard—July 51.25, Sept. 51.30. **American Standard Copper** firm, 2 to 10 points up. Closing options—March 11.52 to 11.55, May 11.47 to 11.52, July 11.40 to 11.47, Sept. 11.35 to 11.40, Oct. 11.35. **Coffee** on spot closed steady, with both Rio and Santos unchanged. Futures closed steady, with Rio generally 4 points higher and Santos 10 to 8 points up. **Cocoa**—Spot 5⅝. Futures closed steady, 8 to 6 points up. **Sugar** on spot closed steady and unchanged at 2.98. In futures, the new contract closed steadier at 3½ to 1½ points higher. The old contract closed steadier at generally 2 points up. **Cotton** on spot closed 1 point up at 10.70 (nominal). Futures opened steady, but at 1 point to 4 points down. The close was steady, with prices 3 points up to unchanged. At New Orleans spot closed 2 points up at 10.00 (nominal). Futures opened 1 point to 5 points lower, but finished 2 points to 1 point higher. **Rubber Futures** (No. 1 contract)—Closing options—March 20.55, May 20.39, July 19.94, Sept. 19.72, Oct. 19.64, Dec. 19.50, Jan. 19.45. Outside prices—First latex thin crepe spot 20¾ buyers; smoked ribbed sheets spot 20½ buyers, 20⅝ sellers; March 20½ buyers; April-June 20 5/16 buyers, 20 7/16 sellers.

WINNIPEG GRAINS

Wheat opened steady, with values unchanged to ⅛c. up. Prices improved on absorption by mills, with the absence of hedge pressure offsetting the action of the Chicago market. The close was steady at generally ⅛c. higher. May 77, July 78⅝. Oats steady, unchanged to ⅛c. up. May 34¾, July 33, Oct. 31¼. **Rye** steady, ⅛c. down. May 48¾, July 48⅞. **Barley** steady, ⅜c. to ¼c. down. May 46, July 43¼. **Linseed** steady, ¾c. up to unchanged. May 152, July 150¼, Oct. 144¾.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Wheat opened steady at ¼c. to ⅜c. higher, but closed easy at 1c. to ⅝c. lower. No. 3 hard winter spot 84. Closing options—May 78 to 78⅛, July 73⅛, Sept. 73⅞ to 73½. **Maize** opened steady, but unchanged to ⅛c. down, and closed easy at 1⅛c. to ⅞c. loss. Closing options—May 59⅜, July 59¼, Sept. 58⅞. **Oats** closed easy, with prices generally ¾c. down. May 34, July 30¾, Sept. 30. **Rye** closed easy at 1c. to ⅝c. decline. May 42, July 43½, Sept. 44¼. **Lard**—Futures opened steady, but closed barely steady at 5 points down to unchanged. Prime Western steam loose spot 5.27½. Closing options—March 6.10, May 6.25, July 6.42½, Sept. 6.57½. **Bacon**—Dry-salted bellies steady on spot at 11.12½; May barely steady at 11.00—15 points loss. **Fat backs** barely steady at 7.50—12½ points lower. **Hogs** barely steady. Light-weight 7.50 to 8.00.

DUBLIN BANKS' CLEARING

	£	Last Year. £	Decrease. £
Week ended Feb. 15, 1941	5,613,000	5,835,400	— 222,400
Seven weeks to same date...	45,353,000	47,884,000	—2,531,000

FINANCIAL NOTES

GAS COMPANIES' MISFORTUNES

Three important London Metropolitan gas undertakings have passed their Preference dividends, but the market was not unprepared for the news. A month ago the Gas Light and Coke Company announced that, pending completion of accounts for 1940, dividends on the Three and Three-quarter per Cent. Redeemable Preference and Four per Cent. Consolidated Preference would be postponed. The misfortunes of the three gas companies referred to are of a temporary character, due entirely to existing conditions, says "Veritas," writing in the *Financial Times*. So high was the investment status of these Preference Stocks that in recent years they were valued in the market on less than a 4 per cent. yield basis. During 1938 Gas Light and Coke Three and Three-quarter per Cent. Redeemable Preference touched 103¾, at which the return was 3⅝ per cent., while the Four per Cent. Irredeemable Preference was as high as 112¾ in 1935. Similarly, the Preference Stocks of the South Metropolitan and Commercial Gas have at times been quoted to yield just under 4 per cent.

How Prices Have Fallen

Since the war the issues of most gas companies have shown a downward tendency, the extent of which, in the three undertakings referred to, is shown in the subjoined table—

	1938 High	1940 High	Prsnt. Price
Gas Light & Coke 3¾ p.c. Pref.	103¾	92	75
Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	103	92	65
Commercial Gas 4 p.c. Pref.	101½	a	a
S. Met. Gas 6 p.c. Pref. ...	136	113½	95
Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	100	88	62½

a No quotations.

Dividends on these Preference Stocks are non-cumulative, so that the passing of the payments is to the disadvantage of holders. On the other hand, this is of some advantage to holders of the Ordinary Stocks, for when revenues recover there will be no incubus of dividend arrears in front of the equity.

Leyland Motors' Interim

Because of delay in presenting accounts for the year to September 30 last, usually available early in January, the directors of Leyland Motors, Ltd., propose an interim dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. on the Ordinary shares. Negotiations are still proceeding as to equitable prices for various Government contracts undertaken by the company during the past financial period. For the whole of 1939 the company paid 20 per cent.

Canal Company's Revenue

The net revenue of the Grand Canal Company in 1940, after payment of Debenture interest, was £15,786, compared with £15,002 in 1939. With the addition of £2,916 brought in, there is an available balance of £18,702, against £17,898. As stated in these notes on January 31, the Ordinary dividend is being increased by one-quarter per cent. to 1¾ per cent., with the payment of a final dividend of one per cent. This is the highest total since two per cent. was distributed in respect of 1936. The sum of £2,887 is to be carried forward. The canal, supplies, working stock and plant have been maintained in good working condition.

The latest quotations for the company's Ordinary Stock is 38s. 8d., the Preference 83s., and the Debenture 61⅛.

Coming Announcements

The final dividend statements of the four British railway companies are due to-morrow. Declarations are also imminent from a number of the electric supply companies, including the County of London. The Champion Reef and Mysore Gold announcements should be out shortly, as should that of St. John d'el Rey. Other important finals expected are those of John Barker, British Oxygen, British Power and Light, British Ropes, Courtaulds, London Brick, Meux's Brewery, Prudential Assurance, Woolcombers, Anglo-French Exploration and Winterbottom Book Cloth. Among reports likely to appear shortly are Bent's Brewery, British Gas Light, British Tobacco (Australia), E.N.V. Engineering, Greenlees and Sons, Wm. Hollins, International Paint and Smith and Nephew Associated. Half-yearly statements may be available from Aspro, Hawthorn Leslie, North Broken Hill, Siamese Tin, United Steel, and T. W. Ward. Statements are shortly due from Allied Ironfounders (Ireland), J. H. Woodington (Drogheda), Barrow Milling, Johnston, Mooney and O'Brien, York Street Flax Spinning, Switzers, J. G. Mooney, Dundalk Gas, Alliance and Dublin Gas, Hammond Lane Foundry, Pye (Ireland), and John Halliday and Son.

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

BELFAST.—3½ per Cent. War Loan, 103⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛; Local Loans 3 per Cent., 89¼; Northern Ireland 3¾ per Cent., 103; Midland Bank (£1 Shares), 80/3, 80/6; Northern Bank "A," 59/6, 60/-; Westminster Bank (partly-paid), 72/9; British Plaster Boards, 12/10½; Bank Buildings Ordinary, 14/-; Lever and Unilever 7 per Cent. Pref., 27/1½; ditto 8 per Cent., 25/3; ditto 20 per Cent., 13/10½; Shell Transport, 41/1½.

CORK.—Second National Loan, 111½; Fourth Loan, 103½; Conversion Loan, 105⅝; Exchequer Bonds, 106½; 4½ per Cent. Land Bonds, 112; 4 per Cent. ditto, 103⅜; War Loan, 103⅛; Bank Stock, 291; Nationals, 33/3; Provincials Old, 32/9; Great Southern Pref., 9; ditto Deb., 53½; Beamish and Crawford Debs., 55; Cement Ordinary, 28/-; Dublin Trams Ordinary, 13/3; Dublin Corporation 4 per Cent. Stock (1960-85), 103½; Guinness Ordinary, 65/- to 66/- (nominal); Goodbody Pref., 25/-; Gresham Hotel sellers 33/-.

MANCHESTER.—Bleachers, 2/3 to 2/9; Dyers, 3/3 to 3/9; "Slubbers," 4/6 to 4/9; Calicos, 3/3 to 3/6; Coats, 30/3 to 30/9; Courtaulds, 29/9 to 30/3; Dunlops, 32/9 to 33/3; Cottons, 27/6 to 28/6; Velvet, 3/9 to 4/3; Spinners, 2/9 to 3/-; Henrys, 6/9 to 7/3; Turner and Newall, 65/- to 66/-; Wall Paper Def., 20/6 to 21/6.

LONDON METALS MARKET

TIN strong. On balance, official quotations marked an advance of 50/- per ton for cash and 30/- to 35/- forward. Standard cash quoted £266 to £266 10/-, three months £264 5/- to £264 10/-, settlement £266. Sales amounted to 200 tons, cash at £266, three months £264 to £264 10/-, 3rd March £264 to £265. East nominally £276 10/- to £281 10/- ton. After the close of the market 85 tons sold, three months at £264 10/-. QUICKSILVER—Spot £48 per flask. IRON—Cleveland No. 3 120/6 to 123/- per ton. ALUMINIUM—Home delivery £110 per ton. NICKEL—Home delivery £190 to £195 per ton. PLATINUM—Refined £9 per oz. SILVER steady. Cash also forward 23¼d. per fine oz.

WOOL

BRADFORD.—Business for home civilian trade is kept in small compass by the nearness of the end of the current rationing period. Everybody is waiting for information as to the expected cut in allocations for next rationing period. A good deal of machinery is standing owing to the prevailing uncertainty. Yarn prices are very firm

DUBLIN

TRAM SHARES WEAKEN

WILLIAMS' DIVIDEND DISAPPOINTS

GOODBODY ISSUES LOSE GROUND

ON the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday trading was not very brisk, but markets were not devoid of features. Home Government Funds made a firm showing on good support and Corporation issues presented a strong appearance. Industrials encountered small selling and inclined easier.

Four p.c. Conversion Loan added a fraction and 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds rose 5s., while 4½ p.c. Land Bonds advanced to 112. Other Home Government Funds held steady, while 3½ p.c. War Loan repeated 103⅛. Corporation issues were in keen demand and Dublin 4 p.c. 1960-'85 made headway to 103½, while the 5 p.c. 1946-'76 was raised a point to 106.

Bank of Ireland stock advanced a further point to 291, but Nationals and Provincial Old eased slightly. Guinness units were again weak and closed 1s. down at 64s. 9d. Dublin Distillers "A" held 2s. 7½d.

Great Southern Rails made an irregular showing. Great Southern Pref. gained a point at 9, but the Deb. dipped to 53½. The Dublin United Tramways Co. preliminary statement was quite satisfactory, but as there was no increase in the Ordinary dividend this caused small selling. The Ord. eased to 13s. 3d., the Pref. to 22s. 9d., and the 5 p.c. 2nd Deb. fell a point to 103.

Goodbody issues came in sellers and the Ord. relapsed 3s. 6d. to 22s., while the Pref. declined to 24s. 6d. Yam Seng Rubbers gave way to 2s., but Cement Ord. were steadier at 28s. Smyth and Co. Ord. were all buyers at 21s. 6d., but there were no shares on offer. H. Williams and Co. announced a reduction in the Ordinary distribution from 40 p.c. to 30 p.c. This came as a big disappointment, but no dealings took place in the shares.

Textiles inclined easier Courtaulds shaded off to 29s. 6¾d. and English Sewing Cotton Ord. to 26s. 1½d. B.A.T. Ord. were slightly lower at 90s., but Imperial Tobacco Ord. held 95s. 3d. Dunlop Rubbers tended lower and United Steel Ord. eased the turn, but Imperial Chemical Ord. hardened to 28s. 9d. Turner and Newall Ord. quoted 65s. and Hadfield Ord. 21s. 4½d.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

* Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.
5% Second National Loan ....(111½) 111½
3½% Fourth Loan ....(103¼) *103¼
4% Conversion Loan ....(105⅝) 105⅝
Do. (under £200) ....(105⅛) 105½
3¾% Financial Agreement (under £200) (105) 103¾ x.d.
4% Exchequer Bonds ....(106½) 106¾ ¾ ¾
4½% Land Bonds ....(111¾) 112
Do. (under £200) ....(111½) 111¾
4% Land Bonds (under £200) ...(103⅜) 103⅜
3½% War Loan ....(103 3/16) 103⅛
Do. (Deed) ....(103 3/16) 103 1/16
4% Funding Loan ....(113¼) 112¾

CORPORATION STOCKS.
Dublin 3½% 1955/80 ....(93⅞) 93⅞
Do. 4% 1960/85 ....(103) *103½
Do. 5% 1946/76 ....(105) 106
Do. 5% 1950/70 ....(108) 108

BANKS.
Bank of Ireland ....(290) 291
Hibernian ....(33/9) 33/9
National ....(33/6) 33/3
Provincial Old ....(33/-) 32/9
Royal ....(9 13/16) *9 13/16

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.
Dublin Distillers "A" ....(2/7½) 2/7½
Guinness Ord. ....(65/9) 65/- *64/9

RAILS, TRAMS AND GAS.
Great Southern Pref. ....(8) *9
Do. Deb. ....(53¾) *53½
Dublin Tram Ord. ....(13/6) 13/3
Do. Pref. ....(23/-) 22/9
Do. 5% 2nd Deb. ....(104) *103

FINANCIAL TRUSTS.
Industrial Credit Ord. ....(14/8) 15/-a

BAKERY AND MILLING.
Ranks (Ireland) Pref. ....(25/-) *25/-
Spillers Ord. 55/3

DRAPERIES.
Arnott Pref. ....(81/-) *81/-

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.
Burke (E. and J.) Deb. ....(82/6) *82/6
Cement Ord. ....(28/-) 28/-
Goodbody Ord. ....(25/6) 22/-
Do. Pref. ....(25/-) 25/- 24/6
Harrington Pref. ....(25/6) 25/6a
Smyth and Co. Ord. ....(21/-) 21/6b
Sunbeam Wolsey Pref. ....(28/-) 27/3 x.d.
Yam Seng Rubbers ....(2/6) *2/-

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS.
B.A.T. Ord. 90/-
Do. 6% Pref. ....(30/1½) 30/6
Courtaulds Ord. ....(29/9) 29/7½ 29/6¾
English Sewing Cotton Ord. 26/1½
Dunlop Rubbers ....(33/3) 32/9 32/7½
Hadfield Ord. 21/4½
Imperial Chemical Ord. ....(28/8¼) 28/9 28/9
Imperial Tobacco Ord. ....(95/3) 95/3
Turner and Newall Ord. ....(66/-) 65/-
United Steel Ord. ....(21/7½) 21/6

IRISH BANKS' RATES

Irish Banks' rate (changed Oct. 26, 1939)... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred...... 3½%
Deposits ...... 1 %
The foregoing rates are subject to variation.

LONDON

SPECULATORS BUSY

RAIL DIVIDEND OPTIMISM

MEXICAN OIL RUMOURS LIFT SHARES

WEEK-END diplomatic moves were not calculated to bring about any material change in conditions on the London Stock Markets yesterday, and the week opened quietly, with prices in most sections holding their ground fairly well.

A splash of colour was provided by a burst of speculative activity in British Rails, in anticipation of Wednesday's dividend announcements. The market had no decided opinion regarding possible payments, but buyers were taking an optimistic view and supporting all the junior stocks, with the result that prices advanced smartly under the lead of Great Western Ord., which spurted from 35¼ to 36¾.

The activity in Rail stocks had little effect on sentiment generally, and Gilt-edged securities were barely tested, whilst Industrials continued to fluctuate irregularly. Kaffirs remained on the dull side, but Oils became steadier, and Mexican Eagles picked up to 7s. 7½d. on reports that the way is being cleared for a resumption of operations in Mexico by the foreign oil companies.

LIQUIDATION

Jobbers in the Gilt-edged market found little to occupy their attention, and owing to the sustained absence of investment business, a somewhat dull tendency set in around mid-day. Actual transactions were too limited to alter values materially, however, and when trading ceased Old War Loan, Local Loans, and Old Consols were without quotable change. India stocks also were well maintained, but the Dominion and Colonial group had to contend with a certain amount of liquidation, which caused declines in several Australian descriptions.

Outstanding in the Foreign section was a continuance of the recent inquiry for Belgian 4 per cent., and the loan improved afresh to 69½. The rest of the market behaved in disappointing fashion, losses ranging up to a point being marked in Brazilians, whilst Far Easterns depreciated by anything up to 1½. Greek Bonds formed another dull group, but Egyptian Unified attracted quiet support and put on another ½ to 79½.

British Rails showed firmness from the outset and, in response to sustained buying, Great Western Ord. forged ahead rapidly. Interest in other issues was on smaller lines, but Southern Prefd. proved a bright feature at 49½, and L.M.S. Ord. added ⅛ to 14⅝. The senior issues were seldom altered.

Excepting an upturn in San Paulo Ord., the Foreign Rail group displayed a dull front, with Cordoba Central 1st Debs. and "Bags" 4 per cent. Debs. notably weak at 67½ and 42½, respectively.

"IMPS" REPORT EFFECTS

Initial dealings in Industrials witnessed a downward movement in Tobaccos, following the Imperial report; but the decline was mainly a reflection of sentiment, and a few modest buying orders enabled the market to recover and close steady, with "Bats" a little better at 90s. 7½d.

Breweries experienced a lifeless session, and a trifling gain in Woolworth Ord. was the only favourable development in the Stores section. Steels were mostly a few pence off, but Vickers resisted the surrounding trend and concluded a shade higher at 14s. 10½d. Bolsovers were 43s. 1½d. ex-div.

Among Motors and Aircrafts Leylands receded to 61s. 3d. after the dividend news, and losses also occurred in Fords and Rolls Royce. Textiles and Rayons remained unpopular, and Coats and Courtaulds both lost fresh ground, the former receding to 31s. and the latter to 29s. 10½d.

In other directions Cable Ord. found a little support and modest improvements were marked in Turner and Newall, Imperial Chemicals and British Match. On the other hand, Boots, British Oxygen, Dunlops, Molasses and Triplex all drifted to lower levels.

FRESH LOSSES

Mines gave a dreary performance, with Kaffirs pointed downwards throughout the day in face of persistent small offerings on an unwilling market. The Far Western Rand group revealed several fresh losses at the close, West Wits being another 2s. 6d. lower at 57s. 6d., whilst Western Reefs dropped 6d. to 20s. and Western Holdings 3d. to 9s. 3d. At the same time General Mining, Luipaards, Simmers and certain other dividend-paying descriptions lost ground.

The Diamond group moved in similar fashion, and both the De Beers issues receded, the Pref. to 8⅝, at which level a fall of 3/16 was recorded. Rhodesian and other Base Metals issues had no movement of importance and irregular fluctuations in the West African section were insignificant. Elsewhere, Nundydroogs were 20s. 7½d. ex-div.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Dealings prohibited. ¶ Ex bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

—	Closing.		Rise or Fall
Consols 2½%	77¼	77½	
Do. 4%	110⅛	110⅜	−⅛
3½% War Loan	103⅝	103½	
War Loan 3% fully paid	101⅛	101¼	−1/16
Funding Loan	113⅜	113⅜	
Victory Bonds	110⅝	110⅞	
3% Conversion Loan	101½	101¾	
3½% do.	104¼	104½	−1/16
5% do.	108⅛	108¼	
2½% Land (1903)	83½	85½	
I.F.S. 4½% Land Bonds	111	113	
India 3%	84½	86½	
Do. 3½%	97½	99½	
Local Loans	89⅝	89⅞	
National Def. 2½%	100⅛	100⅜*	

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS.

Aust.			Qld.		
5% '45-75	104	−1	5% '40-60	102	
4% '55-70	104	−1	S. Af.		
3½% '48-53	101	−1	3% '54-64	96½	−½
Can.			3½% '55-65	102	
4% '40-60	100½		S. Aust.		
N.S.W.			5% '45-75	104	
5% '45-65	104½	−½	4% '40-60	101	
4% '42-62	101		Vic.		
N.Z.			4% '40-60	101	
3% '52-55	93		5% '45-75	104	
3½% '55-60	99		W. Aust.		
Nigr. 6%	116		5% '45-75	103	−1
			4% '42-62	101	

BONDS, RAILS, BANKING.

Brazil 6½% '27	16		B.A. Gt. Sth.	4½	
Do. 5% Fd '98	44	−1	Do. 4% Db.	42½	−1¼
Do. 20-Yr. A	43	−1	B.A. & Pac. 4% Deb.	54½	
Do. 40-Yr. B	31½	−½	Do. Con. 4½% Deb.	24½	−½
Chl. 4½% '98	41	−1	B.A. & West.	3½	−¼
Do. 5% '12	23	−1½	Do. 4% Db.	35½	
Czecho-Slov.	32½		Can. Pacific	7⅝	
Egypt. Uni.	79½	+½	Do. 4% Deb	96½	
French Loan	6†		C.Arg. 4% Db.	24½	−½
German Pot.	12		Do. 5% Db. '79-81	24½	−½
Jpn. 6% '24	24		Cord. 1st Db	67½	−1½
Do. 5½% Cv.	22	−1	Gd Tk. 4% Gr	102	−½
Gt Western	36¾	+1½	San Paulo	27½	+½
Do. 5% Pref.	87		Bk. of Eng	341½	
L.M.S. Ord.	14⅝	+¼	Bk. of Mont'l	48	
Do. 4% Pref.	53½		Barclay A.	9¾	
Do. 5% Rd. Pref.	82	+¼	Lloyds	48/0	
Do. 4% Pf. '23	38		Martins	7 5/16	
L.N.E. Pf. Od	2¾		Midland	7⅞	
Do. Def.	1⅝		Nat. Prov.	39/6	
Do 1st Pref.	36		Stand. B.A.	13⅝	
Do. 2nd Pref.	11		Westminster	63/6	
L.P.T.B. 5% A	120		Do. £4, £1p.	72/0	
Do. 4½% "A"	111½		Alliance New	19	
Do "B"	106		Ldn. & Lan	23	
Do "C"	34		Pearl	13	−½
Sth. Pf. Ord.	49½	+½	Phœnix £10	10½	
Do. Def. Ord.	10⅞	−⅛	Prudential	18⅛	
Do. 5% Pref.	85		Do. "B"	65/0	
Arg. Gt. W. 5% Deb.	26		R. Exchange	7¼	
B.A. Mid. 4% Deb.	41		Royal	7½	
			Sun Life	5½	
			Yorkshire	6¼	

OILS.

A.-Ecuad.	18/3		Lobitos	28/9	
A.-Iranian	36/3		London and Thames H.	1/6	
Do 8% 1st Pref.	25/6	−0/3	Mex. Eagle	7/7½	+0/1½
Do. 9% 2nd Pref.	26/0	+0/3	Phœnix	1/0	
Apex (Trin.)	26/3	+0/3	Royal Dutch	19	
Attock	36/10½		Shell	41/3	−0/7½
Burmah	50/7½	−0/7½	Trinidad L.	60/0	
Can. Eagle	8/4½	−0/1½	Do. Pet. Dv.	49/1½	
Kern Oil	3/9		V.O.C. Hlds.	1 9/32	−1/16

RUBBERS.

Alagar	0/7½		Lon. Asiatic	3/0	−0/1½
All. Sum.	8/9	−0/6	Malacca	12/6	
Anglo-Dutch	15/0	−0/3	Malayalam	28/1½	
A. Java 1/-	0/6		Merlimau P.	2/6	−0/1½
Anglo-Malay	6/2	−1/3	Orient Trust	11/3	
Batu Tiga	28/1½	−0/4½	Pataling	27/6	
Bukit Mert.	2/4		Rambutan	1/4½	
Cent. Perak	1/6		Rubber Trust	25/7½	
Chersonese	1/4½		Sedenak	21/10½	
Cheviot	3/0		S. Siput	2/6	
Cicely	2/3		Taiping	1/1½	
Djasinga	8/9		Tandjong	12/6	
Gld. Hope	16/3		Do. Malim.	8/9	
Grand Cent.	10/0		Telogoredjo	9/4½	
Highlands	23/9		U.SuaBet'ng	42/6	−2/6
Java Amal.	8/9		Um. Sum. 1/-	0/6	
Jugra Lands	8/9		Vallambrosa	6/6	
Kuala Lump.	15/0		Yam Seng	2/1½	

INDUSTRIALS, ETC.

Allied Iron.	14/9		Fine Spin.	3/0	
Austin (5/-)	14/0		Gallaher	95/7½	
Allied News.	12/0	−0/6	Gamage	6/7½	
Assoc Def.	6/3	−0/3	Godfrey P.	26/3	
Aerated B.	5/0		Guest Keen	21/9	+0/3
Assd. Cement	3 3/32		Guinness	66/3	
Assd. Br. Pict.	4/9	−0/6	Gen. Elec.	78/9	
Assoc Elec.	39/9	+0/3	Home & Col.	2/10½	
Babcock & W	41/0	−0/3	Harrods	26/0	−0/6
Baldwins	5/0		Hadfields	21/9	
Bolsover Col.	43/1½*		Hudson's B.	22/6	−0/9
Brown (J.)	27/6		Hawker Sid	12/1½	+0/1½
B.S.A.	16/10½		Harland & W	12/4½	+0/1½
Boulton & Pl.	3/3		Henley's Tel	20/0	
Bristol Aero	10/4½		Internat. Tea	11/3	−0/3
Bovril Def	22/9		Imp. Tobac.	4 25/32	
Bleachers	2/6		Do Canada	3	
Brad. Dyers	3/6		Imp. Chem.	29/0	+0/1½
Br. Celanese	3/3		Imp. Smeltg	9/6	
Do. 2nd Pf.	10/9		Int. Combus.	4⅛*	
Br. Am. Tob.	90/7½	+0/7½	Int. Nickel	35½	−½
Beechams	32/6		Ind Coope	72/6	
Do. Defd.	8/0		J'nson & Ph.	45/0	
Boots Drug	35/9	−0/9	Leyland	61/3	−1/3
Borax Def.	28/9		Lyons (J.)	74/4½	−0/7½
Braz. Tract.	7		Lister	4/6	
Brit. Alum.	41/6		Lever & Un.	22/3	
Brit. Match	29/4½	−0/7½	Do. 8% Pf.	1 9/32	
Brit. Oil Cake	36/10½	+0/7½	Do. 7% Pf.	1⅜	
Brit. Oxygen	64/4½	−0/7½	Lever N.V.	16/3	+1/3
Br. Pistr. Bd	13/0	−0/3	London Brk.	47/0	
Br. P. Cem	3 13/16		Lancashire	1 7/32	
Br. P. & L.	26/6		Metro. Elec.	33/6	
Bass Ratcliff	113/0		Mitchell & B	62/9	
Brew. of Van	19/6		Morris	25/7½	
Burton	9/4½		Maypole Def	1/10½	
Br. Insuld.	81/3	−1/3	Marconi	22/6	−0/3
Courage Bw.	47/0		Murex	76/3	
Cammell Lrd	6/9		Marks & S.	34/0	
Colvilles	21/0	−0/3	Oriental Tel	2⅜	
Consett Iron	6/3	−0/1½	O.K. Bzrs. A	26/9	
Cory (Wm.)	73/9		Pease & P.	9/9	
Clan Line	4½		P well Duff	11/9	−0/1½
Coast Lines	6/10½		Pressedsteel	16/6	
Cab. & W. Ord	54	+½	P. & O. Def.	20/4½	−0/3
Do. 5½% Pf.	95½		Patons & B.	51/3	
Do. 4% Pd	99½		Pye Def.	½	
Calico Print.	3/7½	−0/1½	Ruston & H	25/6	
Can. Celan.	5½		Rolls Royce	74/4½	−0/7½
Coats	31/0	−0/6	Reckitt	4 7/16	
Courtaulds	29/10½	−0/1½	S.A. Brews.	109/0	
Carreras A.	3 5/16		Sth. Durham	21/0	
Do B.	9/6		Staveley	46/1½	
Cerebos	8 3/16		Stew. & L. Df	42/3	
Crittal Mfg.	9/9		Sudan Plts.	26/3	−1/0
City of Lond	5/0		Standard	11/7½	
Co. of Lond	32/6		Sun. Pictorial	13/1½	−0/4½
Callenders	65/0		Scribbans	6/1½	
Crom. Park'n	18/3		Schweppes	28/0	
Dorman Long	17/6	−0/3	Spillers	55/0	
De Havilland	27/6		Siemens	21/0	
Dunlop Rub.	32/10½	−0/1½	Thomas (R.)	2/4½	+0/1½
Distillers	64/6		Tilling (T.)	40/10½	−0/4½
Dly. Mail Tst	14/6		Tob. Secs. Tst	53/9	
Eastwoods	27/6*		Tate & Lyle	47/7½	−0/3
E. & Mrs. Ind	7/6		Triplex Glass	18/7½	−0/4½
English Elec.	30.3		Tube Invest.	4½	+1/32
Eng. Cotton	26/10½	−0/7½	Turner & N.	66/3	+0/7½
Edmundsons	24/6		Utd. Steel	21/9	−0/1½
E. Rdy G.B	26/3		Utd. Sonth.	95/0	
Firth Brown	3½		U. Molasses	24/3	−0/1½
Forestal Ld.	24/0		Vickers	14/10½	+0/1½
Fairey Avn.	11/1½		Wall Ppr. Df.	21/10½	
Ford	17/1½	−0/6	Wht To'kins	33/9	
Finlay (J.)	50/0	+0/6	Watney Def.	44/6	−0/3
Furness W.	18/4½		Woolworth	51/10½	+0/1½

MINING SHARES.

Ang.-Amer.	31/3		Marlu	5/3	−0/1½
Ariston	6/4½		Marievale	17/4½	+0/1½
Ashanti	46/0	−0/3	Modder	17/6	
Aml. Bnkt.	4/4½		Do. East.	4	−⅛
Bibiani	16/3	+0/3	New State A	1 23/32	
Bisichi	6/6		Nigel	2½	
Bkn H. Prop.	1 11/16	−1/16	Nourse	2 7/32	−1/32
Do. South.	18/9		Palmietkuil	3/3	
Blyvoor	7/9	−0/3	Petaling	22/3	
Brakpan	40/0		Rand Mines	6⅝	
C. Mining	11½		Rand Selec.	16/3	
Cam. & Mtr.	1		Randftn. Est.	36/10½	
Chartered	19/0		Rezende	5/16	
City Deep	2½	−1/32	Rho. Ang. A.	13/9	
Cons. Af. Sel.	10/0	+0/1½	Rhod. Sel.	9/9	
Cons. G.F.	84/4½		Rhokana	8	
Cons M.R.	3 7/32	−1/32	Rio Tinto	7¼	
Cons. M. Sel.	15/0		Roan Antel.	13/9	
Crown	12		Rob. Deep B	2½	−1/32
Daggaf'tein	1 11/16		Rose Deep	2 1/16	−1/16
De Beers	5⅜	−1/16	S. Kalgurli	21/32	
Do Pref.	8⅝	−3/16	Selec. Trust	10/0	
Durban Deep	2 15/16		Simmer & J.	17/9	−1/0
East Dagga	1 27/32		S.A. Land	88/1½	−0/7½
East Geduld	9¾		S.W. Africa	1⅛	
E. Rand Prp.	42/6		Springs	20/7½	
G.C. Selec.	10/9	−0/3	Sub N'gel	7¼	
G. Bld. Prop.	4/6		Taquah & A.	19/4½	
Geduld	9 13/16	−1/16	Tronoh	21/3	
Gelden Deep	23/9		Union Corp.	7	
Gen. Mining	3¾	−1/16	Van D. Con.	21/3	
Govt. Areas	30/0		Van Ryn	11/16	
Grootvlei	4½		Do. Deep	20/0	
Ipoh	1¼		Ventersport	29/4½	
J'burg Cons.	35/0		Vereeniging	2	
Kamunting	6/9	−0/1½	Vic Falls	3 11/16	
Kleinf'tein	2 21/32	−1/32	Vlakfontein	15/0	
Krampat P.	7/6		Vogels'bch	1 3/32	
Lake V & S.	18/6		West. Hldg	9/3	−0/3
Langlaagte	8/6		West Rand	1 3/16	
Libanon	8/0	−0/3	Western Rfs.	20/3	−0/6
Ldn. & Rhod	2/6	−0/3	W. Springs	36/3	
London Tin.	3/6		West Wit. A.	57/6	−2/6
Luipaards V	17/6	−0/9	Wit. Deep	⅞	
Malayan	28/9*		Wiluna	5/0	

LONDON MONEY MARKET

The week opened quietly in Lombard Street. The credit situation was rather more comfortable than had been expected. The rate for purchases of short-dated bills in the market was maintained. The 1 per cent. Commercial bill rates were also unaltered. No great difficulty was experienced in satisfying overnight money needs, either with the clearing banks or with the usual outside lenders.

Little interest was shown in the Silver market. Prices were fixed without change at 23¼d. per ounce for spot and forward delivery.

There were no material alterations in Foreign Exchange rates.

Centre	Feb. 17 Closing Rates		Feb. 15 Closing Rates		Parity before 10/9/31
New York*	4.02½	4.03½	4.02½	4.03½	4.86⅔
Montreal*	4.43	4.47	4.43	4.47	4.86⅔
Geneva*	17.30	17.40	17.30	17.40	25.22
Madrid	40.50		40.50		25.22
Stockholm*	16.85	16.95	16.85	16.95	18.15
Alexandria	97⅛	97⅜	97⅛	97⅜	97.5
Athens	515 sellers		515 sellers		375
Helsingf's.	180	210	180	210	193.2
Lisbon*	99.90	100.20	99.90	100.20	110
B. Ayres*	16.90	17.13	16.90	17.13	11.45
Lima	†		†		17.38
M'video	†		†		51 11/16
Rio de Jan.	†		†		5.89d
Valparaiso	†		†		40
Calcutta	17 15/16d	18 1/16d	17 15/16d	18 1/16d	18d
Hongkong	14¾d	15⅛d	14¾d	15⅛d	
Kobe(p.y.)	13¾d	14¼d	13¾d	14¼d	24.58
Shanghai	3⅛d	3¾d	3⅛d	3¾d	
Singapore	28 1/16d	28 5/16d	28 1/16d	28 5/16d	28d

*Bank of England official rates. †Special account.

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

CATTLE.

MERKLANDS.—With the raising of the ban on shipments of cattle, the first Irish fat stock arrived at Merklands, Glasgow, on Wednesday last, when 13 cattle from Cork were landed, 827 arrived from Dublin on Saturday, and 731 from Belfast, making a total of 1,571 during the week. All were graded as fat stock and slaughtered by the Food Ministry.

GRAIN.

MARK LANE CORN.—A slow demand resulted, but prices remained steady. WHEAT—English 65/3 at farm, seed 70/- to 75/- per 504lb., cut and kibbled £17 2/6 per ton (sacks included). Imported feeding £14 10/- per ton ex store. FLOUR—National straight run fixed at 25/6, all English straights 25/6, Canadian 26/-, Australian 25/9 to 26/- (bags included) per 280lb. delivered, less 4/- per sack bonus where bread is sold at 8d. per 4lb. loaf. MAIZE—Imported feeding whole Cinquantina £11 5/-, other varieties £10 per ton. Maize meal—Home-milled feeding £11 7/6, mixed white imported £11 5/-, yellow ditto £11 5/-, hominy chop imported £11 5/- per ton ex store. BARLEY—English malting 74/- to 100/-, feed 58/- per 448lb. at farm, seed 90/- to 105/- f.o.r. Imported feed £15 5/- per ton ex store. OATS—English 43/6, feeding 43/6 to 48/- at farm, seed 50/- to 55/- f.o.r. per 336lb. Imported feed £15 7/6 per ton ex store. WHEATFEED—Fine wheatfeed home-milled for feeding £8 12/6, bran straight run from white wheat £9 12/6, imported pollards bran middlings £8 12/6 ex store, Australian white £9 12/6 ex store per ton.

THE BALTIC.—WHEAT — Market dull, and Manitoba grades were offered at 3d. per quarter decline. The following are f.o.b. quotations:—No. 1 Northern Manitoba, West. St. John, second half of March, 33/-, first half of April 33/1½, second half of April 33/4½; ditto, Vancouver, shipment 15 days, 27/-; No. 2 ditto 26/1½; No. 1 Canadian Western Garnet, shipment 15 days, 24/7½, No. 2 ditto 24/3; Australian old crop, bulk, February-March 26/-, bags ditto 27/6; new crop, bulk, February-March, 27/-, bags ditto 28/6; Rosafe, 63lb., February-March, 20/6; Baril ditto 20/9 per 460lb. MAIZE dull. Plate, February 11/-, March 11/1½; No. 2 white flat African, bulk, February-March, 17/-; No. 3, also No. 5, ditto, 16/9; No. 6 yellow round ditto, 17/3 per 480lb. BARLEY quiet. Plate, 64-65 kilos, February-March, 8/10½ per 400lb.

PROVISIONS.

LONDON.—BUTTER—Importer to wholesaler 143/-, wholesaler to retailer 150/- per cwt., and retail price 1/7 per lb. CHEESE—Home produced and imported 92/2 per cwt. BACON AND HAMS—Wiltshire cut sides 113/6, three quarter sides 121/6, Spencers 111/6, middles 122/6, streaks 84/6, clear bellies 89/6, gammons or hams, green 118/6, smoked 128/6; Ulster rolls boneless, green 123/6, smoked 133/6; Ayrshire rolls boneless and skinless 126/6 to 157/6 per cwt. LARD—Importer to wholesaler 64/-, wholesaler to retailer 69/- per cwt., and retail price 9d. per lb. EGGS—English and Northern Ireland No. 1 A 27/6, 1 B 25/-, 1 C 23/9, 1 D 22/9, 2 D 20/3, 1 E 20/3, 2 E 17/9; Australian 4 A 21/6 to 22/-, 4 B 19/- to 19/6; Chinese 5 A 16/6 to 17/-, 5 B 14/- to 14/6, 5 C 11/6 to 12/-; Argentine 5 A 16/6 to 17/-, 5 B 14/- to 14/6 per 120.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Large lemon soles 28/-, medium 30/- to 31/-, small 18/- to 24/-; jumbo haddocks 22/6, medium 21/- to 24/-; large sprags 16/-, medium 16/- to 18/-; haddocks, sprags (heads on), large plaice 23/-, best 25/-, medium 32/-; large halibut 31/-, medium 32/-; cod 12/6, ling 12/- to 13/-, smoked haddocks 27/- to 30/-, smoked fillets 24/- to 26/-, kippers 9/- per stone.

DUBLIN FISH.—On offer: 27 salmon and a small amount from country senders. Demand fair at: Salmon 2/8 to 3/1, soles, black 2/3 to 3/3 per lb.; whiting 31/- to 70/-, cod 52/- to 75/-, and plaice 54/- to 100/- per box.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Light offerings cleared early at: Savoy cabbage 13/- to 16/6 per small load; cauliflowers 3/- dozen, carrots 2/- to 2/6 dozen bundles, 5/- to 8/- bag.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Fair supply, with sales and prices steady at: Tipperary Dates, Champions and Kerr's Pink 7/6, others 6/6 to 7/- per cwt.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—RICE slow. Siam one-star, February-March, quoted 12/3, super 11/9 per cwt., f.o.b. SPICE—Pepper firmer; black Lampong, spot, in bond, sellers 5¼d.; white Muntok, ditto, 8¼d.; white Java, 8¼d. Cloves—Zanzibar, spot, 11¼d. per lb. Ginger—African, spot, 82/6. Sago—Sarawak, February-March, quoted 29/- per cwt., c.i.f.

RUBBER irregular. Sheet, spot, sold at 1/0 11/16 to 1/0¾, February buyers 1/0 11/16, March sold at 1/0¾, April-June 1/0¾ to 1/0⅞ and 1/0 13/16, July-September 1/0¾ to 1/0⅞ and 1/0 13/16, October-December 1/0¾ per lb.

OILS.—The following are selling prices for material allocated to the primary wholesalers and large trade consumers:—Linseed, raw £41 10/-. Rape, crude £44 5/-. Cottonseed, crude £31 2/6, washed £34 5/-, refined £35 12/6, deodorised £36 10/-. Soya Bean, crude £33, refined £37. Groundnut, crude £35 10/-, refined deodorised £40, hardened £44. Cocoanut, crude £28 2/6, refined deodorised £31 7/6, refined hardened £35 17/6. Palm Kernel, crude £27 10/-, refined deodorised £30 15/-, hardened £35 5/-. Castor, firsts £37, seconds £35. Whale, crude £30 10/- to £31 10/-, refined hardened £33 to £33 10/, No. 3 £26 10/- per ton net, naked, ex-mill or works. Palm Oil, c.i.f., in bulk £17 5/-, loan drums £19 5/-, returnable casks £18 15/-. Rosin ranged from 25/- to 30/-. Turpentine, spot, London and Liverpool, 68/6 per cwt.

OILSEEDS.—The following are approximate shippers' indications on the basis of the Government freight and insurance: — Linseed—Calcutta, February, £18 11/3; Bombay, ditto, £19 1/3; Plate, new crop, February-March, £11 7/6. Rapeseed—Toria, February, £15 10/-. Groundnuts—Coromandel, February, £17 5/-. Cottonseed—Egyptian black, February, £8 2/6 per ton.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

Cash and Co.—3½ p.c., less tax (8 2-5d. per share) on Ordinary Shares, making 6 p.c., less tax, for year. (Last year 4½ p.c., free of tax).

Grand Canal Co.—See report in Financial Notes.

Williams (H.) and Co.—6 p.c. and a bonus of 4/- per share together (5/2 2-5 per share) on Ordinary Shares, making 30 p.c. for year. (Last year 40 p.c.).

Aire and Calder Navigation.—No dividend on the Ordinary (against 3½ per cent.).

Bent and Son.—Net profit £25,014 (against £18,276). Final dividend of 12½ per cent. on the Ordinary, making 20 per cent. (same).

British Ropes—Final dividend of 7½ p.c., makes 12½ p.c. (against 25 p.c.)

Cornercroft.—Ord. interim of 6 p.c. (Same.)

Liebigs.—Net profit £232,192 (against £272,022). Dividend on the Ordinary 10 per cent. (against 11 per cent.).

Lewis's, Ltd.—Profits, after all taxation, rose by £78,757 to £845,430. The usual 15 per cent. dividend is to be paid on the Preferred Shares, and the 117,500 Deferred Shares (all held by the controlling company, Lewis's Investment Trust) again receive 25 per cent. The various reserves receive £182,700, and the carry forward is up from £43,697 to £57,563.

Martinez Gassiot.—No interim (against 3⅓ p.c.).

Mather and Platt.—Increase in profits of nearly £13,000 at £150,703, after taxation and exceptional items arising from the war. The dividend on the Ordinary is maintained at 10 per cent.

Newcastle Gas. — Revenue amounted to £1,371,208, an increase of £139,855 on the year. Expenditure was slightly more at £1,166,340 (against £1,033,866), and this left a profit of £204,868, compared with £197,457. There is a final dividend on the Ordinary Stock of £2 17/6, making £5 7/6 per cent. for the year (against £5 1/9 per cent.).

Pawsons and Leaf.—Dividend of 7½ per cent. (against 5 per cent.).

Sendayan (F.M.S.) Rubber.—Net profit £44,258 (against £14,746). Dividend of 6 per cent. (against 2½ per cent.).

Sterling Trust.—Net balance of £64,667, compared with £82,335. With the payment of a final dividend of 3½ per cent., the distribution on the Ordinary Stock is maintained at 5½ per cent.

West Riding Automobile.—Final of 6 per cent., making 10 per cent.

At a special Court at Derry yesterday, Gerald Theodore Lamarque, an acting quartermaster sergeant, was remanded when charged with, at Co. Armagh, the larceny of £130 and a cheque book the property of the Paymaster-General.

YEAR'S LOSS OF £44,761

G.S.R. CANNOT PAY DIVIDENDS

NEED OF TRANSPORT LEGISLATION

AN improvement of £92,940 to £4,568,664 in the gross receipts (including road transport) of the Great Southern Railways in 1940 was more than counterbalanced by unavoidable increases in expenditure, as under:—

Wages (increase)	£ 85,669
Materials (increase)	186,597
Total	£272,266

Taking into account reduced cost of rates, etc., the gross expenditure for the year 1940 was £4,235,654, compared with £4,085,163 for the year 1939, an increase of £150,491.

The loss on working for the year 1940 was £44,761, against which must be placed the balance brought forward at the beginning of the year of £37,060, leaving a net deficiency of £7,701, which has been met by a transfer from the Compensation Account. In these circumstances the directors have no option but to defer the payment of a dividend on the Guaranteed Preference stock, and the arrears due in respect thereof for the years 1938 and 1939.

No dividends are available on the Preference and Ordinary stocks of the company.

RAILWAY HEREDITAMENTS

Consequent upon the judgment of the Courts in February, 1940, in favour of the company in the matter of their appeal against the Valuation of Railway Hereditaments, an amount of £276,637 in respect of rates overpaid by the company in three years to 31st March, 1940, fell due for repayment by the local authorities.

As a result of representations by some of these local authorities that the refund of so large a sum would be a heavy burden upon their finances, an arrangement had to be made for spreading the collection by which the company recovered in the year 1940 £173,383, and it was provided that the balance of £103,254, plus interest, should be paid by 1st July, 1941.

Out of this overpayment, £23,662 was attributable to the year 1940, and coupled with £69,238 in respect of the reduced valuation in force from 1st April, 1940, gave a reduction of £92,900 for rates in the revenue account of the year.

The judgment of the Courts may be made the subject of a further appeal, the result of which, if made, must be awaited before any information beyond that noted in the balance sheet can be given.

PROPOSED TRANSPORT LEGISLATION

The Government have not yet declared their intentions regarding the report submitted by the Transport Tribunal to the Minister for Industry and Commerce in August, 1939. Representations have been repeatedly made by the company to the Minister stressing the importance and urgency of the necessity for the enactment of remedial legislation to deal with widespread evasions of the Road Transport Acts, 1933-1935, but so far without result.

In accordance with the provisions of the Railways Act, 1933, the term of office of two of the directors will expire on the 15th March, 1941. The directors due to retire on this occasion are Major Hugh A. Henry and Mr. James Dwyer, who are eligible for re-election. Mr. Thomas Geoghegan, F.C.A., one of the auditors, retires by rotation, and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

The directors contemplate issuing the financial accounts and statistical returns in an abridged form next year. A copy of the full accounts will, of course, be available for any proprietor who makes application for one.

MORE GOODS TRAFFIC

Passenger train receipts totalled £1,196,129, compared with £1,275,377 in 1939, and goods train receipts were £2,217,225, against £2,049,840. Total traffic receipts were £3,415,354, against £3,325,217.

Total receipts from road transport services were £1,011,219, compared with £990,813, and net miscellaneous receipts were £25,906, against £37,187.

The annual meeting will be held at the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, on Friday, March 7, 1941, at 2 p.m.

THREE YEARS' RESULTS

The principal figures for the past three years are:—

	1938.	1939.	1940.
	£	£	£
Gross receipts	4,279,788	4,476,664	4,568,604
Expenditure	3,964,642	4,085,163	4,235,654
Net receipts	315,146	*390,501	332,950
Misc. receipts	35,967	37,187	25,906
Total net inc.	351,113	427,688	358,856
Fixed charges	394,124	390,628	403,617
Guaranteed div.	nil.	nil.	nil.
Surplus or deficit	-43,011	+37,060	-44,761

REPAIR OF MOTOR CARS MORE COSTLY

Speaking on the general subject of motor claims to members of the Chartered Insurance Institute in Dublin last night, Mr. J. McAuley said that the war had brought about not only a scarcity of motor vehicles, but of spare parts for those vehicles which remained on the road. The prices of parts had increased substantially, some makers having advanced their prices by as much as a total of 30 per cent. The repair of motor vehicles, therefore, involving the fitting of new parts was becoming increasingly difficult and costly.

Mr. McAuley, in discussing motor claims on the insurance companies, said that many of these claims were brought about by the unroadworthy condition of the vehicles. There was need for much closer attention by the authorities to the statutory rules and orders made under the Road Traffic Act, 1933. These rules, in his opinion did not go far enough, because they laid down no precise minimum standard of efficiency at which vehicles should be maintained.

Mr. A. E. O'Callaghan, President of the Institute, was in the chair

THE LOGICAL TREATMENT OF RHEUMATISM

Many persons taking 'Milk of Magnesia' for acid stomach find to their joy that the rheumatism from which they suffered has also disappeared. This is explained by the fact that most rheumatic afflictions are caused by excess uric acid, which is neutralised by the antacid action of 'Milk of Magnesia.'

If you are racked with pain and crippled by rheumatism, lumbago, sciatica, neuritis or gout, it is due to excess uric acid in your system. Correct this by taking 'Milk of Magnesia' daily. It is the ideal antacid for regular use. It will alkalise and sweeten your system. It will rid you of harmful uric acid and, by thus removing the cause of the pain, will quickly relieve your aching muscles and joints. Obtainable everywhere. The large size contains three times the quantity of the small. Be careful to ask for Milk of Magnesia,' which is the registered trade-mark of Phillips' preparation of magnesia, prescribed and recommended by physicians for correcting excess acids. Now also in tablet form 'MILK OF MAGNESIA' brand TABLETS. 6d., 1/-, 2/- and 5/6. Each tablet is the equivalent of a teaspoonful of the liquid preparation.

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Trespass After Game.—At Howth District Court yesterday Eamonn Cooney, T.D., Lisheen, Howth, and Desmond O'Reilly, Summit, Howth, were fined £1 each for having trespassed on the Castletown Demesne in pursuit of game.

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Two Women Hurt.—A motor car driven by Miss Eva Donaldson, of Drumcrow, Derrygonnelly, crashed into a military lorry at Drumlyon yesterday. The car was wrecked and Miss Donaldson and a passenger, Mrs. Kerr, were taken to hospital seriously injured.

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Internee's Trial Fixed.—The trial of the forty-ninth internee to be charged with setting fire to huts at the Curragh internment cap on December 14th—Patrick Shannon, of Ballygaddy road, Tuam—has been fixed for February 24th.

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£6,750 for Kerry Farmers.—Kerry Agricultural Committee adopted a £6,750 scheme for subsidising lime and sea sand to farmers. £6,000 is a grant from the Department of Agriculture, and the balance is from the Committee's funds. 4,148 applications were received

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Manslaughter Charge.—At Howth District Court yesterday Michael Patrick McNeill, 27 Edenvale road, Ranelagh, was charged with the manslaughter of Kate Dempsey (40), Prague, Kilbarrack, Dublin, on the 25th November by knocking her down with a motor car at Kilbarrack. The hearing of the case was adjourned.

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Cattle Dealers Want More Petrol.—Mr. John Murphy, presiding at Cork United Cattle Traders' Association yesterday, said that petrol restrictions prevented buyers attending remote fairs, and unless special concessions were granted to the trade it would be necessary to ask farmers to bring stock only to those fairs which are railconnected.

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Donkey Beside Dead Body.—School children on Saturday evening discovered William Rooney, Ballymartin, lying dead below the sea cliffs at The Glen, Ballymartin, near Kilkeel, Co. Down, with a donkey with which he had been drawing seaweed lying beside him. Death was certified to be due to heart failure.

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Dublin Trip Sequel.—Thomas H. Harris, Lower Regent street, Belfast, was at Belfast Custody Court yesterday sent to jail for six months for stealing £84, the property of his employer, Robert Kennedy. Constable Creagmile, C.I.D., said that the prisoner told him he took the money from a bag in the office, went to Dublin, and lost it backing horses.

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Remanded in Custody.—Richard O'Leary, of Centre Park road, was remanded in custody at Cork District Court yesterday, charged with having on February 14th at Centre Park road, Cork, broken into the premises of McMullan Bros., Ltd., with intent to commit a felony. Superintendent O'Driscoll asked for the remand in custody so that the accused man's fingerprints could be taken.

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Community Restaurants for the North.—A letter from the Northern Ministry of Home Affairs was read at a meeting of the General Purposes' Committee of the Belfast Corporation yesterday, intimating that the Minister of Food desired that community restaurants be established by local authorities in selected centres in Northern Ireland. It had been decided, the letter stated, to limit for the present such restaurants to Belfast and Londonderry.

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Gas to Stamp Out Rabbits.—In view of the rabbit pest in certain parts of Northern Ireland, notably Tyrone, Derry and Antrim, experiments are to be made with a special type of gas apparatus in an effort to stamp them out. The Northern Minister of Agriculture, Lord Glentoran, has had conferences with representatives of the Ulster Farmers' Union on the subject, and the experiments will be undertaken by the union on his suggestion.

BELFAST SLANDER ACTION

COURT ORDERS NEW TRIAL

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

The Court of Appeal, Belfast, to-day gave judgment in the appeal in which a new trial was sought by Robert James Crawford, a shopkeeper, of 311 Antrim road, Belfast, the respondent being Robert Andrew Todd, a plumber, of Camberwell terrace, Antrim road.

Crawford had brought an action for slander, and Mr. Justice Brown, who heard it in the King's Bench Division, held that the words complained of were not spoken of Crawford in his trade or business. He gave judgment for Todd, with costs, and allowed Crawford his costs on the issue of an allegation that he had sold intoxicating liquor on the premises.

The Court of Appeal to-day reversed the finding of Todd, and directed a new trial to be held as to the assessment of damages.

Lord Justice Murphy, delivering judgment, said that Crawford complained that in the presence of two of his customers Todd published of him, in the way of his business, the words "You are keeping a hell's gambling den here"; that those words meant Crawford's place of business was conducted as a gambling hell, that he was an unfit person to be a shopkeeper, and was guilty of an offence punishable by imprisonment. Todd had admitted the publication of the words, and in his particulars alleged that young men, including his son, had habitually resorted to the premises and played card games, including poker; and that on many occasions "intoxicating liquor was purchased on the premises and consumed by the players, or some of them." Todd had intimated that he proposed to prove that Crawford was selling intoxicating liquor without a licence.

The Judge said that he did not think Todd could successfully argue in that Court that he had established his plea of justification. The verdict for Todd should be set aside and a new trial directed, such trial being limited to the assessment of damages.

The Lord Chief Justice and Lord Justice Babington concurred.

The Court granted Crawford the costs of his appeal, and directed that the costs of the trial be made costs in the cause.

IMPORTANCE OF POULTRY-KEEPING

In a broadcast last night, Mr. Denis Philpott, M.Sc., gave details of the best manner of raising poultry and gave various hints as to methods to be adopted. Mr. Philpott remarked that the consumption of eggs per head of the population was higher in this country than in any country in the world. Poultry play a vital part in the country's economy and the ill-effects of any appreciable reduction in production would be widespread. The question of food was a serious one. Maize had ceased to come in and there would be a scarcity of bran and pollard. Oats would prove a valuable substitute, while up to half the weight of the wet mash fed to poultry might consist of potatoes. Separated milk in a liquid state might be substituted for drinking water. During the present emergency poultry production can be carried on as usual on farms, but poultry-keepers who had to depend on purchased foods should be well advised to curtail their hatching and rearing operations. Maximum returns from commercial egg production can only be obtained from birds of highest quality, and the maintenance of mongrel birds of poor quality could not be justified at present.

FEED A COLD

Feed a cold and starve a fever is an old saying—but not a true one. If you are suffering from a cold take the lightest possible diet and a dose of Eno's fruit thing every morning—you'll be surprised how effective this treatment is. Doctors everywhere take and recommend Eno's Fruit Salt. —(Advt.)

LONDON UNDER FIRE

First Big Daylight Attack

BEGINNING OF THE BATTLE OF LONDON

(BY LIONEL FLEMING.)

(THIRD ARTICLE.)

I HAD a fine view of the first big daylight attack on London. My wife and I had been strolling through Kensington Gardens, and neither we nor anybody else had taken much notice of the siren when it went off, so that we found ourselves in the middle of the whole affair almost before realising that anything was happening.

Disregard for the siren is rather stupid in theory, but up to that afternoon the nonchalant attitude of Londoners towards the day raids had been quite justified by events. It was true that, since the collapse of France, the Germans had hardly let one day pass without hurling their bombers and fighters against the coast in a determined effort to do for London what they had done already for Warsaw and Rotterdam. But, while everybody knew the danger, they knew also the amazing capacity of the R.A.F. for keeping the raiders away from the capital. Time and again the alarm would be followed by the distant sound of British fighters flying into action well above the clouds, and then there would be no further developments till the evening papers came out with their impressive totals of enemy losses—totals which were often so large that the newsvendors announced them as "Close of play score." In short, while the fields of Kent and Sussex were being littered with Heinkels and Messerschmitts, the "Battle of London" hardly touched London at all.

Careless Children.

So, when that particular siren went a few of the cautious ones made their way firmly to the shelters, but nobody else in the park so much as looked up; and the children went on playing and the dogs went on barking just as if Goering's young men were a hundred miles away—as, in fact, everybody thought they were. It was one of those particularly fine afternoons of early autumn, and the Serpentine twinkled pleasantly in the distance as we walked towards it over the grass.

The sudden roll of anti-aircraft fire brought everybody to a standstill. It was louder and more intense than any which had been heard in London before, and it could mean only one thing—that German bombers were pretty near. As we watched, the blue sky became covered with shell-bursts—dirty little balls of cotton-wool, which drifted slowly to pieces in the wind. Most of them were reassuringly distant, but there was no guarantee that they would remain so, and it began to be a question of taking cover. The deck-chairs all around were now emptying rapidly, their occupants making off with dignified haste towards the shelters. Like many others, however, we found ourselves torn between nervousness and curiosity; it seemed a pity to miss such a spectacle, but might not the price be rather high?

In a Trench.

After a moment or two the solution presented itself. Deep trenches have been cut in all the London parks, and we joined the crowd which was already installing itself in one of them. There we all crouched, well protected from bombs and with a fine view of the sky. Nobody seemed at all nervous, the people were laughing and talking excitedly, rather like a first-night audience before the curtain goes up. They included, needless to say, the one man who is never absent from any given crowd—the man who knows all about whatever happens to be going on, and is bursting to pass on his knowledge to anyone who will listen. He was even armed with binoculars, with which he constantly scanned the sky, and he kept up a running commentary most of the time.

The aerial battle had already started, but it was decidedly unlike anything I had been led to expect. Drawings in the illustrated papers tend to leave one with the absurd idea that such combats take place conveniently a few hundred yards from the spectator, who thus finds no difficulty in seeing the machine-guns spitting fire, the circles and crosses on the wings of the machines, and even the vanquished foe taking to his parachute. None of these details, of course, can be seen at a distance of five miles or so, and in actual practice the spectator on the ground can see hardly anything at all. As I stood there, straining my eyes upwards, the air was filled with the rumble of engines from machines flying at an immense height, but for a long time nothing else could be discovered. At last I saw them, a collection of tiny dots arranged in a pattern like a V, nearly lost in the immensity of the sky. (The man with the binoculars saw them, too. "Ha! Heinkels!" he cried, though he could not possibly have known.) They were apparently German bombers, flying in formation, and so far up that when I took my eyes off them I could not find them again for a few moments.

A Microscopic Drama

When they reappeared they were no longer in formation; British fighters had got in among them. It was harder than ever to see what they were doing; but now and then, miles up, a wing would glint in the sun like the scale of a fish as the machines turned and dived, playing for position. It was all so extremely remote, such a microscopic drama, that it was hard to take more seriously than the buzzing and interweaving of flies on the ceiling. It needed an effort to remember that a real battle was going on between those black specks, or that that tiny wisp of smoke, gradually lengthening, represented a real man, falling thousands of feet to his death in a burning aeroplane.

The sense of reality came back with a shock. Across the park, and beyond its horizon of green trees, there suddenly leaped up one of the most dreadful sights I have ever seen—a great, ugly flame, springing from nowhere. It rose straight into the sky without a sound, and then, with horrible deliberation, mushroomed out into a huge pall of smoke. It was dreadful in its contrast with the trees and the grass and the sunlit water, and dreadful also in its reminder that this battle of London was going to mean ruin and death to many Londoners before it could be won. We watched the great flame for a long time; it did not die down, and the pall of smoke still spread. In the excitement the falling of bombs in the distance had gone almost unnoticed, but now it was all too easy to think of bombs.

All Clear!

The all-clear went, and the crowd which climbed out of the trench was considerably quieter than the crowd which had assembled there to see the fun. They might have felt less serious if they could have known that this first mass day-raid was also going to be almost the last, owing to the still-increasing strength of the home defences. Since that day, in fact, I cannot recall any similar "break-through": the day-raid has again become little more than a nuisance raid. Now and then, on some cloudy or foggy day, an enemy machine will sneak through and drop bombs on some outer suburb. More rarely one will look up and see the curving trails of white vapour which show that fighters are chasing bombers away from London at a great height. But, on the whole, the days are safe; only the nights are dangerous.

The people who went home so soberly did not know that. On the other hand, they did not know that the afternoon's attack was going to be followed by a worse night than any they had yet experienced, or that the night would be followed by many other weary nights. The "Battle of London" had ceased to become a manner of speaking; from now onwards it was to be a fact.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

AIR-RAID WARDENS NEEDED

ROTARY CLUB ADDRESS

More men of over 40, "who have the respect of their neighbours," are needed as air raid wardens, said Mr. C. W. Chesson, Area Warden for the Ballsbridge (No. 7) Area, at the Dublin Rotary Club luncheon meeting in the Gresham Hotel yesterday.

In all parts of the city, he said, we need wardens, particularly suitable men over 40 years.

The establishment of the Warden Service is now 4,500, but its strength is below this figure.

The primary job of the Warden is to report damage and call out the necessary services to deal with any incident. Without the Warden service no other A.R.P. service can come into operation.

Businessmen could co-operate by installing a warning system for the purpose of conveying air raid warnings to their staff. The only essential is that it must be used only for A.R.P. warnings.

"Tell your Warden where your shelter is, both at home and in your factory, and let him know how many people will normally be in the shelter during a raid. If you have no shelter, get one at once. If Wardens ask for the use of 'phones, or space for keeping a small amount of equipment, give it gladly."

Private citizens and smaller firms should arrange to fight their own fires. A stirrup pump is by far the best method of doing this. In some of the poorer districts, he said, people were buying stirrup pumps, but in middle-class areas the people were saying they could not afford them. Better off people were buying such pumps for use on their own property, but, in the case of the other places, much could be done by a scheme of co-operation.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade has casualty clearing stations in all areas, and the Irish Red Cross Society is arranging for ambulances to transport casualties to hospitals.

The job of rescuing people from the *débris* of demolished buildings has been undertaken by the master builders of Dublin with building trade operatives.

In the emergency communications service there is urgent need for despatch riders—young men with plenty of nerve.

In conclusion, he urged his listeners to prevent the spreading of rumours.

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

The history of the Student Christian Movement was outlined by the Rev. Donald Kennedy, Trinity College, speaking at the Presbyterian Association last night, on "The Student Christian Movement and the Church in Ireland."

He dwelt on the similarity of the tasks of the Church inside and outside the universities, and said that the war had shown them that instead of speaking of Christian Europe and pagan Asia, they should speak rather of Christians all over the world and pagans all over the world. It also had shown that there could be no division between private religion and public religion, and that we must avoid two things—non-religious optimism and a state of cynicism which said 'that the individual could do nothing.

He spoke of the lead being given by students all over the world for the restoration of social order, and said that both inside the universities and out, they needed a united front of Christians, each Church bringing its own positive contribution. What they needed for the task was a renewed understanding of the Bible and an attempt to get people to pray as Christians.

The speakers were:—Dr. McCullagh, Mr. H. Walsh, Mr. MacGaskill and Capt. H. N. Roberts.

Mr. E. K. Eason presided.

FINE CHORAL RECITALS

ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY CONCERT

Choral recitals by the Sylphan Singers were given yesterday in the Members' Hall of the Royal Dublin Society, Ballsbridge, and a more enjoyable programme there could not have been for the last of this season's concerts. These Sylphan Singers are really a product of the Feis Ceoil, as they first came into being in the competition for the Culwick Trophy for madrigal singing. Under the directing genius of their conductor, Miss Sylvia Fannin, they made rapid progress, and carried off the premier prizes for madrigal singing both in Dublin and Belfast. The big audiences who heard them at both recitals yesterday were treated to choral work that was as perfect as could be hoped for. In a lengthy programme, which ranged from works by the old English madrigalists like Wilbye, Gibbons, Dowland, to modern composers like Darke, Larchet and Roberton, they displayed that ready adaptability and efficiency which comes of thorough mastery of the art of choral singing. In the opening Dowland group it was delightful to hear the ready manner in which they caught the changing moods of such pieces as "Sleep, Wayward Thoughts," "Awake, Sweet Love" and "If My Complaints." In a group of madrigals nothing was daintier than Wilbye's "Adieu, Sweet Amaryllis," or more delicate in its humour than Bartlet's "Philip, My Sparrow." There are seventeen members in the group, and the voices were most artistically balanced and blended. There was a lovely use of the *mezzo voce* in the singing of the old folk tune, "Hugh Song," arranged by Palmer, and in the second verse of Dr. Larchet's arrangement for mixed voices of "The Mid Hour of Night."

A group of Stanford part-songs was sung with lovely understanding, the atmosphere in "Wilderspin" being most realistically painted. What a contrast was provided by the light-hearted, tripping measures of "Quick, we have but a second"!

Particularly interesting were two new part-songs—"Laughing Song" and "Requiescat"—by the young Dublin composer, Nelson; and Miss Rhoda Coghill's fine setting of Harold Munro's little poem, "Overheard on Saltmarsh."

Impressive, too, were the choir's efforts in their group of serious songs, which included, among others, Tallis's devotional "O Lord, give Thy Holy Spirit," and Gibbons's "Silver Swan" and "What is our Life?"

MISSION TO BALLYMACARRETT

The annual meeting of the mission will be held in St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Suffolk street, Dublin, to-morrow, at 5 p.m. The Bishop of Meath will preside, and among the speakers will be the Dean of Down, a former rector of St. Patrick's Parish, Ballymacarrett, in which district the mission is situated; the Rev. Denis R. C. Hilliard, a former assistant in the mission and now chaplain to the Missions to Seamen in the Port of Dublin, and the Rev. Malcolm F. Graham, assistant at the Mission, Ballymacarrett, who will give a report of the work carried on there during the past year.

MANUFACTURERS' FEDERATION

ANNUAL MEETING IN DUBLIN TO-DAY

MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY TO SPEAK

OVER six hundred Irish firms are now members of the Federation of Irish Manufacturers, Ltd., according to the report of the Secretary (Mr. Erskine H. Childers, T.D.), which will be considered at the annual meeting at 3 St. Stephen's Green to-day.

At 4 p.m. the Minister for Industry and Commerce will speak at the conclusion of the annual meeting. The annual dinner has been cancelled this year.

Very few members, Mr. Childers' report states, had suffered losses so severe as to compel them to close down as a result of failure to obtain raw materials. It was expected, however, that the position in the current year would not be so satisfactory.

During the year deputations from the Council of the Federation made personal representations to the Minister for Industry and Commerce on several important matters, and the Council submitted evidence to the Deep Sea Shipping Committee on the very great disadvantage occasioned through there being virtually no Irish mercantile marine, and the necessity for developing a national outlook on the whole question.

WAGES IN INDUSTRY

Continuing its effort to prevent inflation, the Council submitted a memorandum to the Bakery Trade Tribunal, pointing out that wages in industry in relation to output were probably already excessive, and that the raising of bread prices would have the effect of further increasing the cost of living and deliberately encouraging a vicious spiral of rising costs and wages.

"In normal times the industries of this country," continues the report, "require raw materials to the value of twenty-three millions annually. For the last three months, for which figures are available—August, September and October—there has been a rapid decline in imports, which are a little over 50 per cent. of normal. The volume of our exports is also down, but the difference is, comparatively speaking, negligible. The invisible exports in peace-time approximate £1,400,000 per month, and, making allowances for the reduction of foreign dividends, the loss of Hospitals' Sweepstake remittances, etc., they would still amount to probably not less than one million per month.

SHORT SUPPLIES

Shortage of supplies was indicated by the fact that in October there was no adverse balance of trade. In ordinary times we import goods from the Mediterranean and the Continent to the value of eight millions, and in order to replace these goods it is necessary to purchase from the United States. This increases the gravity of the supply problem, since supplementary shipping over and beyond that required for goods not now obtainable in England and the Continent is now needed.

In 1939 the Federation advocated the formation of a complete clearing-house for the purchase of all raw materials required for industry, and the Minister for Supplies was asked to receive a deputation on this question, but he refused the privilege.

The Council was of the opinion that to leave the negotiations for the raw materials almost solely in the hands of private concerns and to allow any consideration of what appeared to be temporarily satisfactory conditions to prevent the taking of extreme measures, was most undesirable.

SHIPS NEEDED

It was also advocated that sufficient ships to guarantee the country's essential supplies should be purchased or leased; that a small central purchasing agency in New York be formed with the objects of arranging for the payment and delivery of goods bought on American account, and seeing to their shipment and insurance. The possibility of raising an American loan for this purpose had been suggested as a matter for examination.

They desired to impress upon the Government the vital necessity of making some last-minute effort to procure sufficient shipping for the maintenance of the nation's economy and the continuance of industrial production.

AN INDUSTRIAL COURT

During the year proposals were initiated for an Industrial Court, based on the general conception that wages in industry should not depend solely on the result of negotiations between employers and workers, but should be examined by an impartial authority, which would have regard to the output in industry and of the effect of changes in wages on the national economy as a whole. The workers or employers would have the right to appeal to the Industrial Court for an examination of their claims and for a given period a lock-out or strike in the trade concerned would be prohibited while the inquiry took place. The award of the Court should be advisory unless both parties agreed to accept it in advance. After an award was made the Council proposed that a ballot by the workers or employers, conducted under Government auspices, should take place before work was ceased.

Rationalisation of the trade union movement and complete prohibition of overlapping unions, and legislation to prevent flagrant abuses of the Trades Disputes Act were other proposals of the Council, which had been approved by practically all the important employers' organisations and were submitted to the Department of Industry and Commerce.

Referring to Peamount Industries, the report points out that several efforts were made by the Federation to save industries from extinction, but they were unavailing.

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KINGSTOWN SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

At the annual general meeting of the Kingstown School (late Kingstown Grammar School) Old Boys' Association, held in the Salthill Hotel, Monkstown, on Saturday last, the following officers were elected for the coming year:—President, Professor W. R. Fearon, F.T.C.D.; vice-presidents, Mr. H. L. Morrison; patron, the headmaster, the Rev. E. J. Devlin, M.A.; treasurer, T. M. Gick; secretary, V. D. Wolfe.

The meeting was followed by the inaugural dinner. In his reply to the toast of "The Guests," Professor W. B. Stanford, F.T.C.D., said that he was pleased to see an association being started in connection with the school, and referred to the school's traditional reputation for hockey, which he was glad to see was being maintained. He suggested that the association might adopt as its motto: "*Aliis labor serendi, tibi fructus.*"

The toast of "The Association" was proposed by Mr. Price (St. Andrew's College O.B.U.), who referred to the difficulties created in schools by the system of compulsory Irish.

Professor Fearon, in his reply, referred to some of his earliest recollections of his schooldays, and said that the association would, he hoped, help to perpetuate the school, which was itself more than the perpetuation of an individual, it was the perpetuation of a name.

A musical programme was provided by Mr. Robert McCullagh, Messrs. A. Thomas and L. A. Leyland; Mr. Frank MacDonald providing the accompaniments.

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Cork Management Bill.—Several amendments have been put down to the Cork City Management (Amendment) Bill which will come before the Dail to-morrow on Committee stage. One of these by Mr. W. T. Cosgrave (F.G., Cork City) proposes that the City Council be empowered to expend in any year a sum equivalent to a rate of a penny in the £ for the decoration of the city on occasions of public rejoicings or for other appropriate occasions, provided two-thirds of the Council agree.

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CLUES DOWN.

1. Notice is sometimes taken of sporting one.
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6. Man working on commission sometimes has very bad ——.
7. To-day the people of Ireland —— to defend their country in the event of attack.
8. Man very keen on hobby may —— himself a den for hours of his spare time.
9. This watch may cost a lot.
10. People may be advised to take holiday at —— after illness.
11. Dying fire may —— when fanned.
13. May be immediate objective of advancing army.
14. May warm.
16. Garda enquiring into accident may pay little attention to what young children ——.

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At 2.35, 5.2, 7.27, 9.54.
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At 4.0, 6.50, 9.30.

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(DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.)
An Entrance Examination to the Diploma in Dairy Science Course at UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, CORK, will be held in March, 1941. A number of Partial Scholarships (Bursaries) will be awarded on the results of the Examination.
The Form on which application for admission to the Examination should be made may, together with all particulars, be obtained, post free, from the Department of Agriculture (Section 24), Dublin. Completed Forms must be lodged with the Department not later than 1st March.
D. TWOMEY, Secretary.
17th February, 1941.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY MISSION TO CHOTA NAGPUR.
THE
ANNUAL MEETING
WILL BE HELD IN THE GRADUATES' MEMORIAL BUILDING
TO-DAY (TUESDAY),
FEBRUARY 18th, 1941, AT 3.30 P.M.
CHAIRMAN—THE RIGHT REV. THE LORD BISHOP OF CORK, D.D.
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P. J. HERNON,
City Manager and Town Clerk.
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SOUTHERN CHURCH MISSION TO BALLY-MACARRETT, BELFAST.
ANNUAL MEETING,
TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY),
19th FEBRUARY, 1941, at 5 p.m.,
In ST. ANDREW'S PAROCHIAL HALL, SUFFOLK STREET.
Chairman:
The Most Rev. the BISHOP OF MEATH, D.D.
Speakers:
The Very Rev. the Dean of Down, M.A.; Rev. Denis R. C. Hilliard, B.A.; Rev. Malcolm F. Graham, B.A.

IRISH BRANCH OF THE ANGLICAN AND EASTERN CHURCHES ASSOCIATION.
ANNUAL MEETING,
TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), Feb. 19th, 3.45 p.m., LEINSTER STREET ROOM, 5 Leinster Street.
The Reverend R. R. Hartford B.D., Archbishop King's Professor, will preside. Professor W. B. Stanford, F.T.C.D., D.Litt. will speak on some aspects of Social Life in Modern Greece, and the Very Reverend the Dean of Christ Church and Mr. Alexander Lieven, Sch., B.A., will address the Meeting. A Collection will be made.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TOTAL ABSTINENCE UNION (EIRE).
The Annual Business Meeting, for the Election of Officers and Presentation of Reports, will be held in 16 ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, on TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 19th FEBRUARY, at 3.30 p.m.
All subscribers and interested friends are cordially invited.

BRITISH-ISRAEL LECTURES,
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MR. H. S. LITTLE
TO-NIGHT AT 8 O'CLOCK,
"WHERE ARE WE TO-DAY?"

INTERCESSION FOR PEACE.
A MEETING, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, FOR PRAYERS FOR PEACE, IS INTENDED TO BE HELD IN THE
FRIENDS' MEETING HOUSE,
6 EUSTACE STREET, DUBLIN,
TO-DAY (TUESDAY) FROM 1 TILL 1.30 O'C.

AXIS NAVY CHIEFS MEET

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

BERLIN, Monday.

Admiral Raeder, Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy, and Admiral Riccardi, Secretary of State for the Italian Navy, conferred at Merano, Italy, on Thursday and Friday last week, it was announced here to-day.

The German News Agency says a "thorough exchange of views on the conduct of the war against England, which was carried on in a spirit of comradeship, resulted in complete unanimity."

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The Irish Times

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1941.

A Mysterious Pact

The pact of non-aggression between Turkey and Bulgaria may mean much, or it may mean little. What precisely it does mean remains to be seen. During the last war Bulgaria and Turkey were on the same side. Bulgaria already had backed the losing side in the Balkan Wars, and she repeated her mistake a few years afterwards, with the result that King Boris's realm suffered heavily, and its neighbours waxed fat at its expense. Turkey, under the influence of the Young Turk movement, and largely out of loyalty to Enver Pasha, supported the Central Powers against the *Entente*. Her armies fought gallantly not only at Gallipoli, but also in Palestine and in the Arabian desert; but, almost from the beginning, they were fighting a losing battle. After the armistice the military and political genius of Mustapha Kemal Pasha, afterwards known as Kemal Ataturk, saved Turkey from most of the penalties of defeat. Kemal realised that the Turks had backed the wrong horse. He did everything in his power to make friends with Great Britain, and when he died a few years ago the Anglo-Turkish alliance already was on a fairly firm footing. The Turks are noted for their loyalty to their contracts. Since the outbreak of the present war their attitude has been scrupulously "correct." Turkey is a neutral country; but its Government has an understanding with Great Britain, and has pledged itself to resist aggression in any shape or form, from whatever quarter it may come. It has been understood generally that, if the Germans should decide to launch an offensive against the British *via* Bulgaria and Salonika, the Turks would refuse to allow them to send their troops through Turkish territory, and that, if needs be, they would defend their national integrity by force of arms. Manifestly, the German High Command cannot contemplate an offensive through Bulgaria unless it has some guarantee in advance that the Turks will turn a blind eye to the operations. For that reason yesterday's Bulgaro-Turkish pact may be significant. Outwardly, it looks harmless enough. The instrument declares that the "unchanging basis" of Turkish and Bulgarian foreign policy is abstention from any form of aggression. Turkey and Bulgaria will live side by side on the principle of *bon voisinage*. The two countries will do everything possible to foster mutual trade; and their Governments will strive to maintain friendly relations between their respective newspapers. In brief, Turkey and Bulgaria will try to keep the peace between their peoples. It almost might seem as if this latest pact of non-aggression were yet another triumph for "Axis" diplomacy, and as if it were calculated to immobilise Turkey in the event of a German thrust through Bulgaria, with the approval of the Sofia Government. The pact, however, contains a clause which is worthy of notice. It is entirely without prejudice to "contracted agreements" with other countries. In other words, the Bulgaro-Turkish pact contains nothing that is repugnant to the existing agreements between the Turkish and the British Governments. As matters stand at present, the Turks have undertaken to defend themselves if the Germans should try to use their country as a jumping-off ground for an invasion of Syria and Palestine. They also have undertaken now not to attack the Bulgarians. What will happen if the Germans invade Bulgaria, as a preliminary to a drive against the Suez Canal? For the moment this question must be left unanswered. The new pact between Turkey and Bulgaria is in no way inconsistent with the alliance between the Turks and the British. All the Balkan States are in such a difficult position that they are being forced to take measures for self-protection; and it is not at all impossible that Yugoslavia may announce her adherence to the new pact within the next few days. A Balkan *bloc* would constitute a formidable obstacle in the path of any aggressor. Hitherto it has been prevented by domestic jealousies. Is it possible that out of their present tribulations the Balkan nations may forge that unity in which alone their ultimate salvation lies?

The Banking Dispute

We are heartily glad that the dispute between the Irish banks and their officials has been resolved. It threatened to sow discord in a field where friendly relations and mutual confidence are especially desirable. There was a time when the bank official received what is called, in a vulgar phrase a "raw deal" from his employers, but those days have passed, and for the past twenty years the officials have enjoyed fair treatment, and have given loyal service in return. A cloud appeared on the horizon last year, when the banks, afflicted by fears for the future, consulted their officials concerning a possibility of a change in the terms of service. Various meetings were held, but no agreement was reached, and early in the winter the banks took action. They notified their employés that, as from the beginning of the present year, all salaries would be free of income-tax only up to the rate of six shillings in the pound, while the cost-of-living bonus would be stabilised at the figure of 185. The officials, whose salaries previously had been free of all income-tax whatsoever, and who naturally had no desire to see the figure for the cost-of-living bonus stabilised at a time when the cost of living was on the rise, would have none of the banks' proposals. They were invited to signify their acceptance or, alternatively, to regard their contracts of employment as terminated at June 30th, 1941. Hardly any of them accepted. Instead, they returned the forms to their union, the Irish Bank Officials' Association, and war was declared. The banks held to their bond: everyone of their employés was informed that his contract would expire at the end of June, after which time, if he cared to remain in his employment, it would be on fresh terms, dictated by the banks. The situation since then has been unreal. No normal member of the public ever has believed that the quarrel could come to a "show-down." The bank officials' work is of a highly-skilled order, and, if they had elected to strike, the whole business of Irish banking would have been paralysed, and the damage to Irish industry and agriculture would have been beyond calculation. A compromise was bound to be effected, and, as the event proves, has been effected. It is too early yet to speak of agreement between the contending parties; for nothing has been arranged except a means of agreement. Three arbitrators will be chosen—one by the banks, a second by the officials, and another—who will act as chairman—by Chief Justice Sullivan: a majority vote will prevail. Presumably, both parties will sacrifice something, but, at least, serious trouble and discontent will have been averted, and machinery will have been established to deal with any further trouble that may arise. We doubt, however, if there will be any further trouble. The whole fabric of the banking system is poised so delicately that even a slight disturbance of it can have grave consequences—a fact which is not less manifest to the youngest official than to the oldest director. If the dispute had continued, both Irish Governments would have been compelled to take action, and a sense of bitterness conceivably would have remained. Happily, a way of escape has been discovered in time.

Flour from Potatoes

The threat of a wheat shortage in this country has made many housewives put on their thinking caps to discover or recollect what substitutes may be used for the all-popular wheaten flour. People have become so accustomed to this particular flour that they are inclined to forget what very good bread can be made from oats and that potatoes can appear attractively in other forms besides boiled and mashed. For some time millers in England have been producing a flour from potatoes, which has been employed extensively in the manufacture of animal foods. It is suggested now that this flour might be adapted with considerable advantage as a substitute for wheaten flour in the making of bread. Not only are potatoes rich in vitamins and in minerals that are essential in any healthy diet, but we are told by cookery experts across the Channel that potato flour has proved to be highly satisfactory in the making of bread and cakes. Once again, therefore, we may rejoice that, if the worst comes to the worst, the people of Ireland will not be without bread. There certainly is no scarcity of potatoes in this country, and, if the wheat shortage should become really acute, it is possible that Irish millers will replenish at least some of the deficiency by producing potato flour. We know nothing of the process of manufacture, but it seems improbable that there should be any major difficulty in the way. Various newspapers, both in this country and in Britain, have been publishing recipes lately in which the potato is a principal ingredient, and most readers must have been surprised at the wide use to which it can be put with good effect. We find that it can be made up in various forms of pudding, cooked as a sweet and served with honey, used as a substitute for flour in the making of pastry, pancakes and shortbread, to mention just a few; and, of course, there are potato scones—those most palatable of all scones which, to be experienced at their best, must be eaten almost as they come out of the oven—and fried potato cakes, which, in the North of Ireland, are the good and inseparable companion of bacon and eggs. Another crop of which there seems to be no shortage in this country is oats. There was a time when oaten bread was more popular than any other kind in the farmhouses of Ulster, and oaten porridge has long been recognised as among the most nourishing of all foods. A shortage of wheat may turn many families back to the kind of food upon which their grandparents used to flourish, and they will not suffer by the change. The people of Ireland survived for many a century without imported foods, and the human body and its requirements are the same to-day essentially as ever they were. We may miss many of the things to which we have become accustomed; but, even if the war should last for fifty years, nobody in this country need die of starvation. There may be few luxuries in the days to come, but there will be no lack of plain, nourishing food.

Slacks and Snoods

Every day one notices further changes in the life of the community. Some of them are so unimportant and so gradual as to be almost unnoticeable, but all of them tend to give life in war-time a very different appearance from life in peacetime. One of the minor matters of life which has been affected to a great extent in most countries is the matter of clothes. In Ireland—apart from the large numbers of men who now wear the uniform of the National Army and other auxiliary services—we have not so far noticed any great changes, but we may do so before the present conflict has run its course. Paris probably was more affected than any other city in the matter of clothing; for, after the occupation of the city, Paris no longer could be expected to remain the fashion centre of the world. The people of Paris must have found it difficult to relinquish the reputation which they have held for so long, but the lead in clothing now seems to have been taken by America. From Japan last week there came the report that the students of the Keio University—who have been renowned for the excellent quality and the latest fashions of their attire—have been obliged to give up their fine clothes for drab uniforms. This change comes as a result of the introduction of a "new structure movement" by the university. In Britain, the greater part of the men—and, indeed, the women, too—are wearing uniforms, and the civilians also have changed their style of dress. Professor T. H. Pear, Professor of Psychology at Manchester University, who spoke at a meeting there recently, said that life in shelters and in cellars had promoted the cult of "slacks, snoods and sloppiness." He explained that snoods were bags into which women put their hair for convenience. Professor Pear said that this state of affairs existed because the people had to live in an unpredictable environment. "When you have a predictable environment," he said, "you have perfect functional dress, such as the modern sports dress, but in the cellar or the shelter, you get the exact opposite." From the tone of his remarks one would gather that Professor Pear does not approve of slacks and snoods. Under normal peace time conditions one could agree with Professor Pear; but under normal peace time conditions, the women of England would not care to be seen in such attire. The English people have made a fetish of correct clothes for the correct occasion; little short of a war would cause the women to forsake the "right" thing for the practical thing. Slacks and snoods may not be very becoming, but they are considerably more practical than light dresses and the prevalent hair style.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

PRESSURE ON VICHY

The Times, in a leading article to-day, says:—

Admiral Darlan, who, in the latest reshuffle of the Vichy Cabinet, has taken over the Ministry of the Interior to add to his three other offices, is expected to visit Paris again to-day—at least, that is the story put about by the German News Agency, and it may very well be true. The prolonged tension at Vichy has not been relaxed. Goings and comings between Vichy and Paris have been in the news almost daily during the past fortnight, but there has been little basis of certainty for a mass of speculation. Personal and political issues are intertwined in a situation as complicated as it is obscure.

So far, Marshal Pétain has stuck to his guns and to his principles with characteristic stubbornness. He takes his stand on the June armistice and on his interview with Hitler at Montoire last October, when he offered to collaborate with Germany inside the terms of the armstice. This point is once more emphasised by his reference to the "Montoire Policy" in his latest announcement. The same attitude is implicit in Admiral Darlan's repeated declaration that the French Fleet would never be put at the disposal of Germany, and in General Weygand's denial in his recent broadcast, that France would permit Germany to make use of the port of Bizerta.

The influence which Laval is able to exercise through Herr Abetz may be presumed to have its limits. The personality of Laval is a heavy liability for any policy which seeks to commend itself to French opinion at large or to men of the stamp of Marshal Pétain and General Weygand. The Nazi authorities are unlikely to commit themselves to any course which, however gratifying to Laval's political aspirations, might lead to a breach with Vichy, and through Vichy, with the French Empire in North Africa. So long as the British Navy commands the Mediterranean and the Italian forces are in retreat along the coast of North Africa, the assets which Marshal Pétain has in his control are safe against any possibility of Nazi threats or Nazi pressure. The strength of his position lies in the fact that neither the Nazi negotiators nor Laval, their tool, dare drive his patience to the breaking point.

THE KING HOLDS AN INVESTITURE

When the King held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace last week he conferred decorations on many of those who received honours in the New Year's List.

Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador in Paris at the outbreak of war, received the G.C.B.; Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the K.C.B.; and Mr. James Garvin, the publicist, and Mr. Arthur Mann, were made Companions of Honour.

The Dowager Marchioness of Reading, head of the Women's Voluntary Services, and Dame Irene Vanburgh Boucicault (Irene Vanburgh, the actress) were made Dames of the British Empire.

Officers of all three Services were among those decorated by the King. They included thirty R.A.F. officers awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, and two other R.A.F. officers, who received the D.S.O. and bar.

COURT AND PERSONAL

The Duchess of Gloucester, who is in residence at Barnwell Manor, Peterborough, paid a visit last week to the Central Hospital Supply Depôts at Gomersal Loversal and Doncaster. Miss Eva Sandford was in attendance.

Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston was among those present at a luncheon party given in London last week by the Belgian Ambassador, Baron de Cartier de Marchienal. The guests of honour were the Belgian Prime Minister and Madame Pierlot.

Princess Juliana of the Netherlands recently paid a visit to the unit of the Royal Netherlands Army, which is training at Stratford, Ontario.

Sir Archibald Carter, Permanent Secretary to the Admiralty and Chairman of the Eastern Group Supply Council, has arrived in Delhi.

The Marchioness of Waterford, who met with a nasty riding accident, is now up and out and about again

Lord Claud David Hamilton celebrated his thirty-fourth birthday last week.

Queen Geraldine of Albania and her small son, Prince Leka, are living in London.

Count Van Cutsem is at present in Dublin.

Lady Blake, mother of Sir Ulick Blake, is running her horses in Ireland again this season.

A marriage has been arranged and will take place on February 24th, at 11.30 a.m., in St. Patrick's Church, Dalkey, between Lance C. V. M. Hall, son of the late Herbert and Mrs. Hall, of Knockraheen, Co. Wicklow, and Sophie Laurence, daughter of the late W. H. Laurence and Mrs. Laurence, of Roxtro, Glenageary. All friends will be welcome at the church.

Professor J. J. O'Connor, M.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Surgeon, has opened private practice at 116 Morehampton road, Dublin. Telephone: Ballsbridge, 373.

Don't forget Muckross Hockey Dance in Metropole on Pancake Tuesday, February 25th.

The Medical Society, U.C.D., will hold their Annual Dance in the Gresham on Thursday, 20th February. Dancing, 9-3. Taxis after the dance.

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ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

6.30—Light Music. 6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Results Official Announcements. 6.45—News. 7.0—"Leabhra nua Gaedhilge," Daithe O hUaithne. 7.20—"Trouble in Harlem": Minstrel Revue, by Cusex, relayed from the Olympia Theatre, Dublin. 7.55—Irish Radio Orchestra (conductor, Michael Bowles) and Tessie Coleman (soprano). 8.50—Ireland is Singing. 9.30—Barrack Variety. 10.0—Nuacht. 10.10—English. 10.30—American Half-Hour.

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

7.0—Time, News Records. 7.30—Exercises. 7.55—"Lift up your hearts!" 8.0—Time, News. 8.15—Talk on Food. 8.20—Light Music. 9.0—Theatre Organ. 9.30—Band. 10.5—Schools. 10.15—Time, Service. 10.30—Records. 10.45—Talk on Food. 11.0—Schools. 12.0—Orchestra. 12.30—Concert. 1.0—Time, News. 1.15—Songs. 1.35—Talk. 1.50—Schools. 3.0—Dance Music. 3.30—Evensong. 4.0—Sentimental Interlude. 4.30—Short Story. 4.45—Accent on Rhythm. 5.0—News, Children's Hour (Welsh). 5.30—Children's Hour. 6.0—Time, News. 6.30—News (Norwegian). 6.40—"Sign Post." 6.50—Orchestra. 7.30—Scots' Half-Hour. 8.0—Old Familiar Things. 8.30—"Express to Exile." 9.0—Time, News. 9.20—From the Front Bench. 9.35—Elgar Concert. 10.15—Evening Prayers. 10.30—Band. 11.0—Dance Music. 11.40—Light Music. 12.0—Time, News.

FORCES PROGRAMME

6.30—Records, Time, News. 7.15—Records. 10.15—Welsh Light Programme. 10.30—Theatre Organ. 11.0—Anniversaries. 11.15—Dance Music. 12.0—Variety. 12.15—News (French). 12.30—B.B.C. 1.0—News (Dutch). 1.15—News (Australia). 1.15—Hill Billies. 2.0—Time, Theatre Organ. 2.30—Variety. 3.0—B.B.C. 3.30—Radio Reconnaissance. 4.0—"Bee-Hive." 4.30—Records. 5.15—News (German). 5.30—Piano. 5.45—Piano Recital. 6.0—News (Dutch, French). 6.30—Forces Anniversary. 8.0—London Philharmonic Orchestra. 8.30—Dance Music. 9.0—News (German). 9.20—"Old Mother Riley." 10.0—Time, Dance Music. 10.30—Salon Orchestra. 11.0—Close down.

IRISH WEDDING

MR. FERGUS POWER AND MISS MAI DURKIN

The marriage took place at Butlerstown Church, County Waterford, yesterday, of Mr. Fergus Power, solicitor, and Miss Mai Durkin. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Power, Orchardstown, Butlerstown, County Waterford. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Helen Durkin, Prescott Drive, Newsha Park, Liverpool, and the late Mr. Patrick Durkin.

The ceremony, with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing, was solemnised by the Ven. Archdeacon Kelleher, P.P., S.T.L., V.F., Ballybricken, Waterford. Mr. Thomas Power, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and the bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Nellie Caulfield, Palace Villas, Tramore.

Subsequently a reception was held at the residence of Miss C. Keating, Rossbank terrace, Tramore.

Mr. Power is attached to the old-established firm of Messrs. Dobbyn and McCoy, solicitors, of Waterford, and is a keen follower of all forms of outdoor sport.

25 YEARS AGO

From the *Irish Times*, February 18, 1916.

Food 47 Per Cent. Dearer.

According to the Board of Trade statistics, the retail prices of food advanced about 1½ per cent. in January. Flour and bread have increased in price about 3½ per cent., and imported beef by 2 per cent. British meat, however, did not advance so much. The average rise in the retail price of granulated sugar amounted to 5 per cent. Fish was dearer by about 5 per cent. on an average. Allowing for the relative importance of various articles in the working class household expenditure, the average increase in retail prices of food since the beginning of the war may be put at 47 per cent.

"T.C.D."

Many graduates of Dublin University will be reminded of the flight of time by the news that "T.C.D.: A College Miscellany" has just celebrated its twenty-first birthday. Such modest anniversaries are apt to be overlooked in days when kingdoms perish as lightly as sparrows fall. Indeed, we gather that the present staff of "T.C.D." had forgotten all about its majority until a former editor—*jam senior*, and not readily to be cheated of the joys of memory—recalled it to their minds. Twenty-one is a very creditable age for a college newspaper.

LONDON LETTER

SUPERVISION OF SHELTERS

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
MONDAY NIGHT.

Before he was appointed Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Labour a few weeks ago, Sir William Beveridge prepared a report on British man-power, which is believed to contain a great deal of criticism of the existing state of affairs and a series of proposals for improvements. In some quarters it is suggested that the report should be made public, but, as the investigations were made under the instructions of the Ministry of Labour, the report is regarded as being for departmental use only. The appointment of Sir William Beveridge to the office of Under-Secretary of the Ministry will enable him to carry out the proposals he made in his report, and certain changes over the whole field of national service are now being prepared.

Shelter Supervision

The Ministry of Health intends to seek further statutory powers to enable it to strengthen its supervision of unofficial public shelters. Many churches are permitting their crypts to be used as shelters, and a great number of buildings belonging to private firms are being used similarly, and, while these refugees may be well adapted for the purpose, it often happens that little provision is made from the health point of view. The Ministry desires to standardise shelter conditions, and will seek powers for inspection and supervision, with the right to enforce its decisions when necessary. In the past all co-operation has been on an unofficial basis with the Church and other authorities, and, though this has been usually harmonious, it is thought that something stronger has become necessary.

Secondhand Cars

Proposals have been made to the Ministry of Transport that the prices of secondhand cars should be subject to control, but the motor trade is not unanimous as to whether this step should be taken On the one hand, it is said that official control would mean that dealers who have bought vehicles at high prices might be involved in substantial losses, while, on the other hand, it is maintained that used cars have risen to prices disproportionate to their actual value as secondhand vehicles. Large profits have been made by those who bought up all the used cars they could obtain some time ago. Secondhand cars are now fetching far more than their original cost, but this is not likely to be permitted should official prices be fixed. A hint as to the schedule of controlled prices likely to be adopted is given in the offer of the Ministry of Supply to purchase certain vehicles at a reduction of ten per cent. for each year up to three years.

Poultry-keepers Hit

The poultry situation in Britain is becoming serious, particularly for the small breeder, as many of these are without rations for the birds, though application was made weeks ago. In some districts the lack of rations are responsible for disease among laying birds. Poultry-keepers well known to corn chandlers in their neighbourhood are not able to get maize or corn because the dealers have been warned that they may supply foods only against coupons. Complaints have been made to the Domestic Poultry-Keepers' Council responsible for handling the rations scheme, but these have been met by the assertion that applications were not sent in in time, though in numberless cases the applications were forwarded weeks ago. The small breeder is suffering the most; the big man appears to be getting supplies.

Food for the Army

As a result of the efforts of Admiral T. P. H. Beamish, M.P., who approached the Food Ministry, arrangements have been made for the cultivation of ground attached to buildings in military occupation in this country, and an Army agricultural organisation has been set up to supervise the plans. There will be a branch at the War Office which will be represented at each of the Army Commands, and the Treasury has agreed to make an advance for the purchase of seeds, tools and appliances, which will be repaid to the Treasury from the sale of produce. For the most part, sales of vegetables grown will be to the Army, the produce being taken into stock at a fair valuation and re-issued as rations, so that much unnecessary transport will be saved. The vegetables will, as far as possible, be consumed in the district in which they are grown. Experienced gardeners will be employed and paid by the Army, but their pay will be charged against the receipts for the produce, so that the whole scheme will be self-supporting.

IRISHMAN'S DIARY

Farmer and Barrister

I have just renewed acquaintance with Mr. Sutherland, who is as hale and hearty as when I first met him many years ago.

Mr. Sutherland is a retiring person by disposition, but he has done a great deal for this country. It was on his suggestion that the Salesian Order came to Ireland in 1920 and founded the first of its great agricultural colleges at Pallaskenry, Co. Limerick. It was he also, I understand, who induced the National University to institute a degree in Agriculture.

This is unusual work for a lawyer—Mr. Sutherland is very well known on the Munster Circuit—but he is also a practical farmer, and takes great pride in his own farm. He believes strongly in co-operation as a remedy for the agricultural ills of this country.

Finally, he is a pleasant person, whom I am always glad to see.

Mrs. Denis MacCullough

Mrs. Denis MacCullough, who has been broadcasting an appeal for support for the Saor an Leanbh, or Save the Children, Fund, is one of the ablest of the several daughters of the well-known Ryan family of Wexford.

She is a sister of the Minister for Agriculture, Dr. James Ryan, T.D., and others of her sisters are Mrs. Sean T. O'Kelly, wife of the Minister for Finance, and Mrs. Richard Mulcahy, wife of the Fine Gael leader.

Before her marriage, Mrs. MacCullough was an important figure in educational and Gaelic League circles. For some years she held a post in St. Mary's Training College for primary teachers in Belfast, where colleagues of hers were Miss Roisin Walsh, B.A., now Dublin's chief librarian, and Miss W. Phelan, the first Irish lady to become barrister-at-law.

Mrs. MacCullough has recently been appointed successor to the late Miss E. M. Cunningham as vice-chairman of Trade Boards, statutory bodies of representatives of employers and employés for the fixing of wage rates in certain industries.

The chairman of these Boards is Alderman Tom Kelly, T.D., who has not been enjoying really good health of late.

Abbey Playwrights on Broadway

Louis D'Alton tells me that his play, "The Spanish Soldier," which had a run at the Abbey a short time ago, has just been produced in New York in the de Forest Theatre. According to cables just to hand, it has been well received by the critics, and looks like settling down into a run. The play, which dealt obliquely with the Spanish Civil War, has been renamed "The Tanyard."

D'Alton is not altogether a stranger to the American public; for his novel, "Death is so Sweet," about the 1916 insurrection, had a much more deserving success there than it had in England.

Louis has also been trying his hand at comedy, and tells me that the Abbey are shortly to put into production a new comedy of his which he wrote at Enniskerry during the winter. He has also finished another play—this time a powerful tragedy with a setting in West Kerry in a household of strangely tortured souls.

He has provisionally entitled it "The Gadarene Swine," and from what I hear of it it is a play of curiously compelling power, shot through with robust and startling humour.

A Gaelic Drama Pioneer

This week's performances in the Peacock Theatre recall memories of the scholarly and genial County Sligo priest, Father Thomas O'Kelly, whose drama of the French invasion of Connacht in 1798, "An Foghmhar," is one of the three pieces on the Dublin Gaelic Players' programme.

Father O'Kelly was a pioneer of the drama in Irish and even as a student in Maynooth he was writing plays. His translation of "Kathleen Ni Houlihan," by W. B. Yeats in 1905, when he had just entered his twenties, set a good headline for budding Gaelic dramatists. Under the title "Arbhar Dé" he printed an Irish version of Padraic Colum's "The Miracle of the Corn."

"An Foghmhar," if I remember rightly, had its first production in 1907. Father O'Kelly also dramatised the famous Red Branch—story of the tragedy of Deirdre and the sons of Usna.

"Eithne"

For some nine or ten years he was honorary secretary of the Gaelic League in Sligo and a founder and a secretary of the still flourishing Sligo Feis Ceoil, at which so many now well-known in literary and musical Dublin made their first bows to the public. Father O'Kelly had the gift of verse too, and wrote the lyrics for the first Gaelic opera, Dr. Robert O'Dwyer's "Eithne," and among other songs the popular "Bábaró."

"Eithne," I should think, ought to be worth reviving now, and indeed it should only have been the first of many operas in Irish. But opera, I'm afraid, is a field Gaelic musicians have sadly left without cultivation.

For some years Father O'Kelly was on the staff of University College, Galway. His death in France in 1924, at 45 years, was a much felt loss to Irish literature.

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LAST NIGHT'S DANCE

D.U. ELIZABETHAN SOCIETY

The Dublin University Elizabethan Society held its annual dance in the Metropole Ballroom last night. There were between three and four hundred people present, and dancing, to the music of Phil Murtagh and his band, with Peggy Dell (vocalist), continued until 2 a.m. The dance took the form of a carnival. Novelties were distributed among the guests, and there were many spot dances.

Among those present were:—Miss V. Booth, Mr. D Stewart, Mr. E. Frick, Mr. E. McClelland, Mr. M. Booth, Mr. B. Wilson, Mr. N. Grove-White, and Miss Weir (committee). Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Professor and Mrs. Duncan, Professor J. Maxwell Henry, F.T.C.D.; Dr. and Mrs. Parke, the Misses Joyce, McGilligan and H. Tobias, H. E. L. McCreery, Mr. and Mrs. H. Sherman, Miss M. Rowland, Lieutenant H. Pringle, Mr. A. W. Pringle, the Misses Y. Leang, M. Meredith, J. Causer, A. Shirley, Messrs. J. C. Gilmore, R. O. Robinson, J. White, C. Fiddler, B. Booth, W. Rooke, the Misses E. McGuckin, H. Hughes, J. Hadden, M. Hildrick, J. Hill, G. Brown, Messrs. G. B. Moncrieffe-Yeates, J. Furlong, A. Stokes, the Misses P. Pyper, O. Maher, M. Gleeson, Messrs. W. McCleggan, H. Robinson, S. Scott, D. Clarke, the Misses I. Eadie, N. Hinchliff, Messrs. A. Turpin, H. Parish, J. Judd, the Misses M. Wilson, J. Hobson, Messrs. D. Berry, Miss R. Jammet, P. Malcolmson, Miss P. Gillis Bolton, Messrs. T. Connolly, F. Lewis-Crosbie and J. Lewis-Crosbie, Miss V. Orget, Messrs. H. Nelson, L. McCreary.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.39	8.37
Sets	6.41	6.43
Lighting-up Time	7.11	7.13

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	4.54	6.1
Evening	5.28	6.45

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Ballina	0.25	12.50
Belfast	4.24	4.58
Cork	10.57	11.24
Cobh	10.54	11.21
Drogheda	4.42	5.16
Dundalk	4.39	5.14
Galway	10.45	11.18
Kinsale	10.43	11.10
Limerick	—	12.15
Sligo	11.33	—
Waterford	11.55	—
Wexford	0.5	[illegible]

KING ALFONSO

"LESSENING OF GRAVITY"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Monday.

Ex-King Alfonso, lying seriously ill here with angina pectoris, is continuing his fight for life.

A bulletin to-day states that he passed a fairly good night, and that "there were indications of a lessening of the gravity of certain symptoms."

Following last night's bulletin, which recorded no alteration for the worse in King Alfonso's illness, the Stefani Agency reported this morning that his condition was unchanged.

NEWS SUMMARY

The *communiqué* from Cairo last night said that the only Italians left on the soil of Egypt, the Sudan and Kenya are prisoners in British hands.

Senator Barkley, Democratic leader in the United States Senate, said yesterday that if Germany won the war the United States would have to face not only a hostile Europe, but a hostile world.

Further advances by Greek troops in a general five-day offensive were reported in Athens yesterday.

A statement on Bulgarian-Turkish friendship was published by the Governments of both countries yesterday, according to the official Italian News Agency. Agreement was reached on certain points, among which were the following: to abstain from any aggression; to develop their confidence further in good neighbourly relations; and to seek means to develop trade relations between the two countries. The view is taken in London that Turkey has safeguarded her freedom of action under her existing treaty obligations.

Fifty Japanese warships are reported to be concentrated off Hainan Islands, according to a Chinese report.

TURKO-BULGARIAN FRIENDSHIP

Declaration by Both Governments

LONDON'S CONFIDENCE IN TURKEY'S LOYALTY

AN official declaration of Turko-Bulgarian friendship, which was published by the Governments of both countries last night, does not radically alter the present position.

The chief points on which agreement was reached are:—To abstain in foreign policy from any aggression; to develop their confidence further in good neighbourly relations, and to seek means to develop trade relations between both countries.

When London heard the terms of the agreement official circles expressed confidence in Turkish loyalty to the Anglo-Turkish Treaty.

Commenting on a statement, attributed to the official German News Agency, that Turkey and Bulgaria had made a non-aggression pact, the Press Association's Diplomatic Correspondent described it as German propaganda, and said that the agreement removed any difficulty, so far as Turkey was concerned, if Germany crossed Bulgaria to attack Greece.

It can be safely assumed, the correspondent added, that Turkey has safeguarded her freedom of action under her existing treaty obligations.

The agreement is looked upon with favour in political circles in Berlin, where it was described as a feather in the Reich's cap, while German diplomatic observers in Sofia thought that it sealed the fate of Greece, and squeezed Britain out of South-Eastern Europe.

THE AGREEMENT

The joint statement of the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments is as follows, according to a Sofia telegram to the official Italian News Agency yesterday:—

"The Turkish and Bulgarian Governments having noted the happy results obtained during the exchanges of views which they have undertaken on several occasions in order to define the meaning of their foreign policy in relation to their mutual interests and their common objectives with the aim of maintaining intact the confidence and friendship between the two countries;

"Faithful to their pact of friendship establishing peace and perpetual friendship between the Turkish Republic and the Bulgarian Kingdom;

"Desirous of continuing towards each other this policy of confidence which has served to assure in the most difficult moments peace and calm through mutual respect for their security;

"Decided to initiate a new exchange of views in the light of events, and have reached agreement on the following points without prejudice to their contracted agreements with regard to other countries:—

"First—Turkey and Bulgaria consider it an unchanging basis of their foreign policy to abstain from any aggression;

"Second—The two Governments are inspired by the most friendly intentions towards each other, and are determined to maintain and develop their confidence still further in good neighbourly relations;

"Third—The two Governments declare themselves ready to seek appropriate means to develop trade relations between the two countries to the greatest extent compatible with their economic structure;

"Fourth—The two Governments express the hope that the Press of their two countries will be inspired in its writings by the mutual friendship and confidence which to-day has been newly affirmed in this declaration."

The declaration, says the Ankara Radió, was signed at the Turkish Foreign Office at three o'clock this afternoon by M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, and the Bulgarian Minister in Ankara.

Bulgaria loses her neutrality and war is brought to Bulgaria, it will be solely and directly on the initiative of Germany. The question whether the Legation remains or not depends solely on the movement of the Germans."

BERLIN AND THE AGREEMENT

FEATHER IN REICH'S CAP

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BERLIN, Monday.

The Turkish-Bulgarian expression of friendship is considered in German Government circles as a "feather in the Reich's cap." One Government spokesman declared to-night:—"This move can certainly be considered a great success for those who have been working towards the consolidation of mutual understanding in the Balkans. The treaty is looked upon favourably in political circles in Berlin."

Authorised sources declined to be specific about the German-Yugoslav conference at Berchtesgaden, but one source close to the Wilhelmstrasse said: "Obviously the framework was laid for a further decision between Germany, Italy, and Britain."

"SQUEEZING BRITAIN OUT"

German diplomatic observers in Sofia, quoted by Associated Press, said they thought the Pact sealed the fate of Greece and squeezed Britain out of the last small foothold in South-Eastern Europe.

OPINION IN ANKARA

GERMAN MOVE NOT IMMINENT

ANKARA, Monday.

Opinion here about the situation in the Balkans remains calm. It is not yet clear what proposals Hitler made to the Yugoslavs, but Ankara has no reason to believe that the Yugoslavs committed themselves to collaborate in or to facilitate German schemes in the Balkans.

The question is asked, for example, why Yugoslav should facilitate a German attack upon Greece, having for its object the restoration of Italian power in the Adriatic. A German move into Bulgaria is not regarded here as imminent. The troops available in Rumania are considered insufficient for the purpose, having regard to the possibility of reactions by the Turks, the Yugoslavs and the British.

At present the Germans are waging a "war of nerves," which will doubtless continue until their military preparations for obtaining their demands by menaces or force are completed. According to reliable sources, the German preparations inside Bulgaria include the strengthening of road and railway bridges. Petrol dumps are also being laid down.

BULGARIAN CABINET MEETS TO-DAY

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

BERLIN, Monday.

The Bulgarian Cabinet will meet to-morrow, after its short recess. According to a Sofia dispatch to the official German News Agency, the Cabinet will "first and foremost" discuss legislation for encouraging Bulgarian agriculture, proposed by M. Bagrianoff, a pro-German, who recently resigned from the post of Minister of Agriculture.

It is reported from Sofia to-night that a special German Mission has concluded negotiations with the Bulgarian authorities for the despatch of 4,000 Bulgarian workmen and farm labourers to Germany.

SIR REGINALD HOARE IN TURKEY

ANTONESCU'S ONE AND ONLY HOPE

Sir Reginald Hoare, in an interview on his arrival in Turkey from Rumania, according to an Ankara wireless report last night, declared:—"I intend to stay for a few days in Istanbul, and then I will fly to Egypt or Iran.

"My last diplomatic action in Bucharest before the breaking off of diplomatic relations was to protest against the handing over to the German authorities of the 3,000 Polish refugees who fled at the outbreak of the German-Polish war to Rumania.

"My last interview with General Antonescu was in a friendly atmosphere. The General said that the breach of diplomatic relations, which should have been with Hungary and not with Britain, was not a friendly move."

Sir Reginald said that Antonescu had told him that his one and only hope was in a German victory.

"The Rumanians now expect a British air attack, and secretly even rejoice in it," the Turkish wireless declared Sir Reginald said.

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TENSION EASED IN SOFIA

TROOPS MAY BE WITHDRAWN

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

SOFIA, Monday.

Great importance is attached here to the non-aggression agreement signed between Bulgaria and Turkey to-day. Bulgarian political circles believe that both sides will now withdraw the troops they have been massing on their common frontier. While the agreement is generally regarded as a German diplomatic success, it is also understood to have the support of the Soviet Union. News of the agreement has certainly eased the tension in Sofia.

According to unconfirmed reports diplomatic negotiations have now been opened between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia concerning their territorial differences.

Some political significance is also given to the visit of the Hungarian Minister of Education, Professor Homan, who arrived in Sofia to-day with a large delegation, ostensibly to sign a cultural convention, but after the ceremony to-morrow it is expected he will be received by the Bulgarian Foreign Minister, M. Popoff. He will also meet King Boris.

TURKEY'S RIGHT TO MOVE

German propaganda that the new Turko-Bulgarian friendship agreement removes any difficulty, so far as Turkey is concerned, if the Nazis cross Bulgaria to attack Greece is entirely without foundation, writes the Press Association Diplomatic Correspondent.

Turkey has long striven to build a united Balkan front against Axis aggression.

In view of the advanced condition of German infiltration into Bulgaria, it is hard to see how the political situation can be seriously affected by the agreement, and it can safely be assumed that Turkey has safeguarded her freedom of action under her existing treaty obligations.

After London heard the terms of agreement, official circles expressed confidence in Turkish loyalty to the Anglo-Turkish Treaty.

BRITISH POLICY TOWARDS BULGARIA

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

SOFIA, Monday.

The British Minister, Mr. George Rendel, to-day outlined Britain's policy towards Bulgaria, in reply to questions raised by the Press Association correspondent following statements made by the Bulgarian Press.

"British policy," he said, "is aimed at the maintenance of the neutrality and independence of Bulgaria, and at preventing the war from spreading to Bulgarian soil.

"The British Government would welcome the development of close and friendly relations between Bulgaria and her neighbours.

"We have no intention whatever of taking any initiative towards violating Bulgarian neutrality, or involving Bulgaria in war. If

"Devoid of Foundation"

Mr. de Valera on Willkie Visit Story

MR. DE VALERA yesterday described as "completely devoid of foundation" a version of his recent talk with Mr. Wendell Willkie which appeared in yesterday's "Daily Telegraph" from their Special Correspondent in Lisbon. He said he did not believe that Mr. Willkie could have given such an impression of his conversations with him.

The following is the message from the *Daily Telegraph* and *Morning Post* special correspondent which appeared in yesterday's issue of that newspaper under the headings: "Willkie Tells de Valera" "U.S. Irish View":—

LISBON, Sunday.

"I learn from sources which were in close touch with Mr. Wendell Willkie when he passed through here that it was at Cardinal Hinsley's instigation that he visited Ireland.

"He told Mr. de Valera that Irish Catholic opinion in the United States did not support his attitude to Britain, but desired full co-operation against Germany without insisting on a united Ireland as a condition.

"Mr. Willkie said that Mr. de Valera was much impressed and reverted to the subject repeatedly during the talks. Mr. Willkie got the impression that Mr. de Valera might revise his attitude to Britain, and ultimately might even consider the question of giving bases."

DAY RAIDS ON ENGLAND

MORE PAMPHLETS ON POLAND

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, Monday.

A BRITISH Air Ministry and Home Security communiqué, issued this evening, says:—"Only a small number of German aircraft have crossed our coasts during daylight to-day, and none of these came very far inland. A few bombs were dropped in East and South-East England and in the North of Scotland, causing a little damage and a small number of casualties. This afternoon a German bomber was shot down into the sea off the Norfolk coast.

A pilot's rescue of his injured observer when their bomber crashed in the sea, and an unavailing attempt by two airmen of the ground staff of a Coastal Command station to find the gunner in the darkness, was described to-night by the British Air Ministry News Service.

The aircraft was returning from a night raid on German-occupied territory in France when it came down in the sea a few hundred yards from the English South coast. The pilot, although partially stunned, managed to free himself from the cockpit. He found that the observer, who had also escaped from the aircraft, was floating nearby, semi-conscious. He carried the observer ashore, where they were found by some airmen, who then learned that the air gunner of the bomber had not been saved. They then swam out to the aircraft to look for the gunner and forced their way into the cabin to continue their search in vain.

GERMAN CLAIMS

PRESS ASSOCIATION

BERLIN, Monday.

Under cover of low clouds an enemy bomber of the Bristol Blenheim type attempted to cross the North-West German coast at midday to-day, according to the German News Agency. Anti-aircraft guns immediately covered the 'plane with a hail of shells, which after a few seconds scored hits on the cockpit and control services. The 'plane crashed in flames.

MORE PAMPHLETS

A British Air Ministry *communiqué* says: "During daylight on Sunday aircraft of the Bomber Command, operating singly, attacked a number of objectives in enemy-occupied territory. At Hellevoetsluis bombs were seen to hit the quay and a vessel moored alongside. Shipping off the Dutch coast and targets at Zeebrugge, Middelburg and Den Helder were also bombed.

"On Saturday night aircraft of the Bomber Command dropped leaflets in the Katowice and Cracow areas of Poland."

NIGHT BOMBER DOWN

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, Monday Night.

A German bomber was brought down to-night in the Home Counties. One of the occupants was dead; the rest have been captured.

"The wreckage was strewn over an area of 200 square yards, and what were apparently cannon shells kept exploding for some time," said an eye-witness. "There was intense gunfire at the time, and the motors gave out. Then came a terrific sheet of flame as it exploded and crashed into a field."

British 'planes made an attack on German minesweepers to-day, according to the German wireless. The announcer claimed that the 'planes were unable to drop any bombs because of gunfire from the boats.

DUBLIN MARKET TO BE RE-OPENED

FOR FAT STOCK FOR SLAUGHTER ONLY

The Minister for Agriculture announces that he has decided to amend the Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Sales of Animals) Order, 1941, so as to permit the exposure for sale at the Dublin Metropolitan Cattle Market on Thursday next, the 20th instant, of fat cattle, fat sheep and fat pigs intended for slaughter. The necessary Amendment Order is being made.

It should be clearly understood that the above-mentioned decision does not affect the existing prohibition of the exposure for sale of store animals of the above classes at any place in the County or County Borough of Dublin. The owners of such animals should not, therefore, make any arrangements for forwarding store cattle, store sheep or store pigs for sale at the Dublin Market or elsewhere in the County or County Borough of Dublin.

SHIP CASUALTIES

Two masters and two chief engineers appear in a list of eighty-four deaths of members of the merchant navy and fishing fleets announced yesterday by the British Ministry of Shipping. The casualties are due to war action on various dates. Two chief stewards and a first radio officer are listed, and the names of three boys are also included.

WHERE THERE ARE NO ITALIAN SOLDIERS

Egypt, the Sudan and Kenya

REPEATED R.A.F. RAIDS ON SICILY

THE only Italians left on the soil of Egypt, the Sudan and Kenya are prisoners in British hands. This indication of the success of the imperial campaign against Italy's African Empire since December was contained in the communiqué from Cairo G.H.Q. last night.

Mussolini lost his last combatant soldier on these territories on Friday when the frontier post of Kurmuk, in Abyssinia, 360 miles south-east of Khartoum, was re-occupied. The communiqué reports that in Libya and Eritrea the situation remains unchanged, which means that in the former the task of clearing-up is proceeding, and in the latter that reinforcements for the troops investing the natural fortress of Keren are still being brought up.

Keren, last stronghold along the road to Asmara, the capital of Italy's oldest colony and to the Red Sea, is strongly held. It stands at the top of a cliff-like escarpment, on whose summit the Eritrea highlands lie. Its steep approaches afford the Italians a magnificent defensive position. From two peaks dominating the town and captured by imperial troops in the face of withering fire from machine-gun nests the white roofs of Keren itself can be seen gleaming in the sun.

The fall of Keren will place three-quarters of Eritrea in British hands.

TOWARDS GONDAR

East of Lake Rudolf troops are penetrating deeper into Abyssinia, and in the north the movement towards Gondar has been resumed.

Following the capture of Kismayu, one of the chief ports in Somaliland and the only one on that coast having a natural harbour, Italian forces in the southern corner of the colony have now been driven back to the line of the Juba River. Meanwhile quantities of guns and war materials of all kinds captured at Kismayu are being checked.

An official announcement in Nairobi yesterday disclosed that this booty includes a number of heavy coast defence and anti-aircraft guns, all intact.

The Italian High Command communiqué reports a violent British attack with considerable mechanised forces on the Libyan oasis of Giarabub, south of Tobruk, and claims that the onslaught was broken by the heroic resistance of the Italian troops. It was disclosed in London last week that an Italian garrison was still there. It was left alone until about the middle of December, when the Australians raided the oasis and captured transport and guns. Since then operations had been confined to watching the exits and preventing reinforcements reaching the garrison in their tight corner.

NO CHANGE IN LIBYA

The Cairo G.H.Q. *communiqué* read:—

In Libya and Eritrea the situation remains unchanged.

Abyssinia—With the fall of Kurmuk on February 14 no Italians remain on the soil of Egypt, the Sudan, or Kenya, except as prisoners. Our movements towards Gondar have been resumed. In the area east of Lake Rudolf our troops continue their penetration.

Italian Somaliland—Enemy forces have now been driven back to the line of the Juba river. Meanwhile, quantities of guns and war materials of all kinds taken with the capture of Kismayu are being checked.

BIG FIRES REPORTED ON SICILY

The R.A.F. Middle East *communiqué* yesterday read:—

Aerodromes in Sicily were attacked by bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. on the night of February 15th-16th. Hangars and administrative buildings at Catania were bombed, causing several fires and a number of explosions. Some aircraft on the ground were set on fire. At Comiso bombs fell on dispersed aircraft, resulting in fires and a series of explosions. One fire burned fiercely for more than half an hour. The aerodrome at Gela was also attacked, direct hits being scored on hangars. Having completed this raid our aircraft on their return journey machine-gunned the beacon station at Cape Passero.

On the same night Brindisi Aerodrome was attacked. Several hangars were set on fire, and a large, red explosion was seen near the aerodrome opposite Lazaretto island. Three enemy aircraft on the ground and one seaplane were set on fire and destroyed.

In Albania yesterday (Sunday) formations of the R.A.F. bombers, escorted by fighter aircraft, again concentrated their attacks on enemy positions in the Buzi area, north of Tepeleni. Direct hits were registered on enemy gun positions and military buildings at Buzi, while at Laitiza bombs burst in a large tented camp and on motor transport concentrations. Enemy troops and vehicles were subsequently machine-gunned by our aircraft. One of the most effective operations of the day was a severe attack on retreating enemy columns and motor transport on the Klissura-Berat road.

IN ERITREA

In Eritrea heavy damage was caused to hangars, buildings and workshops at Mai Adaga. Photographs taken show a number of direct hits on main hangars, and that several buildings nearby were demolished. Our fighters continued to give active support to our troops in the Keren region. Enemy aircraft were intercepted, and one shot down near Gura. Others were damaged near Keren.

In Abyssinia an attack was made on dispersed enemy aircraft and stores at Chinelli, a large fire being started. Further south bomber squadrons of the S.A.A.F. continued to harass the enemy. A heavy dive-bombing attack was made on Italian posts on the east bank of the Juba River, also on barracks. Several fires were started, and many hits on buildings were observed. A further attack was made on Italian motor transport near El Sod, north of Mega.

Fighter aircraft of the Royal Australian Air Force intercepted German bombers near Benghazi. One of the German aircraft was shot down, the crew of four being rescued from the sea.

Malta was raided during the night of February 15th-16th, and again yesterday, but no damage was caused to R.A.F. property. During an offensive reconnaissance made by aircraft of the Fleet air arm in search of Italian shipping off the coast of Tunis, one merchant vessel of about 7,000 tons was attacked and sunk.

From all these operations our aircraft returned safely, with the exception of one bomber and one fighter aircraft. The pilot of the latter was saved.

AIRMEN'S FUNERAL

British airmen shot down during a raid on Brindisi were given a military funeral there on Sunday, states the official Italian News Agency. An Italian airman killed by anti-aircraft fire during this raid was buried at the same time. Officials, representatives of the armed Fascist forces and civilians attended the ceremony.

A Cairo message says that some Italian civilians were killed and many houses belonging to Italian and Libyan civilians were destroyed in a recent raid on Benghazi. Some of the bombs dropped were of German origin.

Prospective candidates for admission to the diploma in dairy science course at University College, Cork, are reminded that the latest date for application for admission to the entrance examination is the 1st March.

IF GERMANY WON

"U.S. WOULD FACE HOSTILE WORLD"

SENATOR URGES AID FOR BRITAIN

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

IF Germany won, the United States would face not only a hostile Germany, but a hostile world, said Senator Barkley, Democratic Leader, opening the debate on the Lease and Lend Bill in the Senate to-day.

The bill has already been passed with certain amendments by the House of Representatives.

The Senator quoted statements made by Herr Hitler and his lieutenants to demonstrate that one of the motives of the present war is the economic domination of the world. "Can we doubt that economic domination will be followed by political intrigue and infiltration," he said. "If Hitler wins he will control all Europe, and if Mussolini survives, Hitler will, through him or over him, control all Africa."

HAVE TO SURRENDER

In reply to a question by Vice-President Wallace—the President of the Senate—Senator Barkley said that amendment of the bill to give specific authority for food shipments to Britain was not necessary, since the word "commodity" contained in the measure was sufficiently broad to cover food. This was a war seeking to impose economic, religious, political and intellectual bondage, Senator Barkley said. "There is but one way to stop the conqueror. That is, to defeat him. If the United States does not help Britain to defeat Hitler in Europe, we shall one day have to surrender to him or defeat him over here."

TAFT OPPOSES

Senator Taft made a spirited reply, contending that every argument put forward by Senator Barkley would be just as forceful in support of a declaration of war.

Senator Lee, Oklahoma, proposed an amendment to give the President specific authority to "sell, transfer, exchange, lease, lend, or otherwise dispose of," any surplus farm commodities held by Government agencies.

Senator Austin, assistant Republican leader, said:—"This bill has declared to all the world that we have no faith in this man Hitler, that we are opposed to his system and that the United States is therefore opposed to a treaty of peace so long as Hitler has power to dictate the terms."

READY IN ADVANCE

Mr. Harry Hopkins, who was President Roosevelt's Special Envoy to Britain, joined a conference at the White House to-day, which was attended by Mr. Stimson, the Secretary of War; Mr. Morgenthau, the Secretary of the Treasury; Colonel Knox, the Secretary of the Navy; Mr. Wickard, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Director of the Budget.

Mr. Early, the President's Secretary, described the conference as "one of a series that is going on and will continue in the way of making arrangements in advance for the Administration's Lease-and-Lend Bill. When the bill passes many administrative requirements will be set and ready," Mr. Early added.

Mr. Hopkins's talk with President Roosevelt last night lasted until 2 o'clock in the morning, it is stated, at the White House.

The presence of Mr. Wickard at the conference indicates the possibility that the question of food supplies for Britain was among those discussed. Mr. Wickard said afterwards: "I think food is very necessary for British defence, but I think we need more ships than anything else to haul the food."

"AFTER BRITAIN FALLS"

ITALIAN THEORIES ABOUT THE WAR

LONDON, Monday.

Rome Radio to-night explained Italian theories on the war, and added: "After Britain falls a united Europe will defend Africa against the U.S.A." The last war was caused by France and Britain—Britain particularly—laying hands on German colonies. The present war was started with the purpose of seizing Italian colonies.

The plan, the announcer explained, was that France should take the western part of Africa, Britain the eastern, and Germany and Italy would be "completely excluded," and Portugal "bought out."

Britain calculated that Italy would fall after a few hard knocks, but that had failed. The second calculation, that America would fight to defend Africa against the rest of Europe, was still alive.

"But the Axis is prepared," the announcer went on. "The day Britain falls Europe will be united, and the Axis will be the champion of the freedom of Europe. Europe will have to fight against America for the freedom of Africa, but that will be achieved. That is the last phase of the war, and that we shall conquer is a mathematical certainty."—(The Associated Press.)

LATE NEWS

LOUIS WINS

Louis knocked out Dorazio in the second round.—(Reuter.)

DANUBE BREAKS ITS BANKS

30,000 PEOPLE EVACUATED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VICHY, Monday.

Over 30,000 people were to-day evacuated from their homes after the waters of the Danube had broken through the protective dykes 50 miles below Budapest, says the Havas Agency. Engineers had made desperate efforts to keep the waters back, but in the end the whole region had to be abandoned. A second line of defence—a rail embankment—has been formed about 12 miles from the river. Military aircraft are bombing masses of ice which are stopping the flow of the river. The military authorities are working in close co-operation with the medical services in rendering first-aid and preventing epidemics, and army lorries are being used to distribute food. At Budapest the Danube has fallen considerably, and the wharfs are no longer under water.

200 SQUARE MILES UNDER WATER

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

BUDAPEST, Monday.

Dykes on the left bank of the Danube have burst at five points in the last forty-eight hours, flooding 200 square miles of countryside, and the situation to-night is considered highly critical, particularly in and above Epostag, which the Hungarian War Minister visited this morning. Twelve villages have been evacuated and others completely isolated. Many houses have collapsed. The water is rising in the Hungarian plain, causing much damage, and damage has also been done in the valley of the Tisza.

THE FAR EAST

"Fifty Warships Off Hainan Island"

Chinese Report of Active Preparations

Singapore Mining Regarded As Precautionary

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CHUNGKING, Monday.

JAPAN is making active preparations for a southward expansion, declares the Chinese official newspaper, "Central Daily News," to-day.

The paper asserts that Japanese forces at Haipong and Hanoi (French Indo-China) have been reinforced.

Eleven warships of the Japanese Third Fleet are said to have been transferred from Shanghai to Hainan Island, while the Japanese Second Fleet is reported to have already arrived at Hainan Island.

The newspaper adds that there are at present over fifty Japanese warships concentrated off Hainan Island, and also over 200 Japanese aeroplanes have been sent from China to Hainan Island.

The Chinese Army organ, *Sao Tang Pao*, however, believes that Japan has not yet completed her preparations for a move in the Southern Pacific, and states that she has so far only concentrated seven divisions at South Seas bases.

Reports that Britain is mining the Straits at Singapore and is advising the evacuation of Britons are given prominence in this morning's papers here.

It is stated that Japan is still waiting for the completion of arrangements to secure rice and other supplies from Indo-China and Thailand.

Japan is also said to be waiting for the completion of negotiations between Germany, France, Spain and Soviet Russia.

Well-informed quarters here express the opinion that the mining of the Straits and the evacuation of Britons in Thailand does not necessarily mean that war is imminent in the Southern Pacific, but merely indicates that Briton is taking all necessary precautions.

It is suggested that Japan may proceed with her southward expansion programme gradually—first consolidating positions in French Indo-China and Thailand, or even may seize Dutch Borneo, meanwhile waiting for further European developments.

It is stated that Japan is not likely to make a sensational move like an attack on Singapore or the Dutch East Indies, which would bring her into war with Britain and the United States.

JAPAN SEEKS A CONFERENCE

AUSTRALIAN MINISTERS HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

SYDNEY, Monday.

Australian Commonwealth Ministers have no knowledge of suggestions reported from London that Japan desires the summoning of a conference in Australia, at which Australia, the United States, Canada, New Zealand and others would be represented.

In spite of Press criticism of his alarmist attitude, Mr. Arthur Fadden, the Deputy Premier, said that he would not retract to any degree his warning that the war was moving to a stage of the utmost gravity.

The Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Akiyama, later issued a statement that the relations of Australia and Japan did not give cause for alarm.

"LIFE-AND-DEATH PROBLEM"

AIM AT PEACEFUL SOLUTION

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Monday.

The Japanese aim of finding "a solution" of the "life-and-death problem" of her interests in the South Seas "through peaceful negotiations" was stressed by Vice-Foreign Minister Ohashi in the Lower House Committee to-day.

An attempt to achieve her aims through armed force would bring about destruction "with unfavourable effects upon Japan," he said. But, should an attempt be made to "squeeze" the country by the circulation of false reports, Japan must needs resist such a project, and grave consequences would then be unavoidable.

In the Diet the Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, reaffirmed Japan's adherence to the principle of racial equality. "Japan," he declared, "must constantly deal with equality towards all races without the slightest discrimination towards any."

Meanwhile, from Bangkok it is reported that, despite reports from outside hinting at the imminence of a Far-Eastern "flare up," the situation there is very quiet.

According to the official German News Agency, General Oshima, the new Japanese Ambassador—and a staunch advocate of German-Japanese friendship—arrived in Berlin to-day.

NEUTRALITY OF THAILAND

NO BASES FOR JAPAN

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

SINGAPORE, Monday.

A Bangkok *communiqué* issued over the week-end, reaffirming the maintenance of friendly relations between Britain and Thailand, has given a full measure of appreciation in Singapore, where it is felt that the Thai Government are following a perfectly correct attitude towards the latest developments in the Far East situation.

The people of Thailand realise that certain difficulties have arisen for them as a result of Japanese mediation in the Franco-Thai dispute, but authoritative information confirms the view that the Thais have no intention of varying their policy of strict neutrality towards the larger world issues and that they certainly have no desire to give any assistance to Japanese southward advance such as might endanger that policy.

A Thai official, whose views can be accepted as representative of Bangkok opinion, told me that not only is Thailand not willing, and is not even discussing the question of leasing bases to Japan, but that Thai forces would offer the maximum possible resistance to any effort by Japan, or, for that matter, any other Power, to make use of Thai territory for warlike purposes.

Though Singapore does not adopt an alarmist view of the situation, it is recognised that it must be prepared not merely for probabilities, but for every conceivable possibility.

In this connection it is announced to-day that a passive defence advisory committee has been formed at Singapore, headed by the Colonial Secretary, Mr S. W. Jones, and including prominent public men. Similar committees are being established throughout Malaya.

The Japanese Consul-General told a newspaper reporter to-day that the Far East tension was "exaggerated." He did not think there would be a Far East conflagration. All that Japan wanted was peaceful trade relationships with Malaya and other countries.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

MINISTER REFUTES ALLEGATIONS

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

BANGKOK, Monday.

Anglo-Thai relations are "most cordial," said Sir Josiah Brosby, the British Minister, here to-day.

"If anything has been reported to the contrary it is ridiculous—so ridiculous as scarcely to call for contradiction," he said.

Sir Josiah made this statement after his attention had been drawn to vicious foreign wireless reports alleging that Britain intended to invade Thailand.

The Minister referred to the statement issued by the Thai Government on Saturday, and said it had been warmly welcomed in London. The Thai Government said it believes that no development has occurred tending to involve Thailand in any possible conflict.

NETHERLAND'S EAST INDIES

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Public reaction in the Netherlands East Indies to the alarming rumours of the last couple of days has been an attitude of calm determination, states the Batavia Radio yesterday. There can be no doubt whatever as to the attitude of the Netherlands East Indies Government, the announcer said. They will do all in their power to maintain peace in the Pacific, but, should honour or interest demand it, they would not hesitate to defend both.

However, trade negotiations with Japan are being reopened, and a meeting has been arranged for to-day between the Japanese Consul-General in Batavia and a member of the Japanese trade delegation, and Mr. Van Hoogstraeten, who is conducting the negotiations on behalf of the Netherlands East Indies.

A reasonable request by Japan would be acceded to, added the announcer, but any unreasonable demands would be met with a firm refusal.

GREEKS CLAIM NEW ADVANCE

Official Denial of Differences

FURTHER advances by Greek troops in a general five-day offensive were reported in Athens yesterday, says the Associated Press. Heavy blows were dealt at the Italians on the vital central sector, combined with strong Allied air attacks on concentrations at the rear and on Brindisi aerodrome.

It was reported from the central sector that the Italians were forced to retreat from a number of strongholds and that new mountain heights had been taken at the point of the bayonet.

Radio Belgrade yesterday quoted an official Greek statement published by the Greek News Agency denying rumours spread abroad of differences between the Greek Premier and the Press Minister. The statement also denied foreign reports of heavy losses in the Greek Army and of desertion. The statement said that the losses of the Greek troops were insignificant, considering the results achieved.

BASES OUT OF ACTION

The R.A.F. have damaged Italy's bases in the Dodecanese Islands to such good effect that Italian air activity there is virtually at a standstill, according to a party of 25 Greek refugees who have escaped from Calymos and Simi, says a Press Association message from Athens.

The airport on the Island of Cos has suffered particularly severe damage, and during a recent raid heavy casualties occurred among *personnel*.

BRITISH AID APPRECIATED

Thanks to the Lord Mayor and the people of London for their aid to Greece, conveyed by the Greek Minister of Health to the British Minister in Athens, "coincides with the feeling of the Greek people," wrote the Greek newspaper, *Estia*, yesterday.

"Greece fully appreciates the value of this aid," it continues. "It knows that London is not only a city within the zone of operations, but it is in the most important front of the fight, with immense calls upon English charity. The face that the inhabitants of London, in these circumstances, remember distant Greece, and hasten to offer all they can with moving willingness, increases yet further Greek admiration for the incomparable bravery of the people of London and gratitude for their interest."

BUSINESS AGAIN IN BENGHAZI

NEW GOVERNOR CARRIES ON

EXCHANGE RATE FOR LIRA

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.
BENGHAZI, Monday.

BENGHAZI is gradually recovering from the shock of becoming enemy-occupied territory. The town is suffering from the evacuation of its wealthiest citizens. Banks, the chief shops, and business houses are all closed, with the result that the principal streets present a mournful appearance.

The damage is, unfortunately, now being continued from the other side. Bombers, apparently German, have twice visited the town since the British occupation and dropped large missiles in the harbour area, which wrecked several houses. Nevertheless, the smaller shops are carrying on a considerable trade with the British soldiers. The principal hotels also remain open.

The exchange rate of the lira has been fixed at four for one Egyptian piastre, or, roughly, 385 for a pound sterling.

Local police and carabinieri are continuing their duty in the streets and directing traffic under the control of the British Military Governor.

A Military Administration has been set up in all the chief towns of the two provinces, Syrenaica and Marmarica. It is dependent on the Commander-in-Chief, Lieutenant-General Sir Maitland Wilson, who has established his G.H.Q. in the area, but before long it is expected that a certain number of experienced civilians will be included in the administration, following the example set in Palestine during the last war.

MAY RESUME

Already the military administrators are getting in touch with such Italian and Arab officials who remained at their posts with a view to keeping them in their positions if they are suitable. It is believed that not a few Italian officials who left their posts on the entry of the British troops are hanging about in the smaller localities, and would willingly resume duty under the British administration if given the opportunity.

Out in the country there are likewise signs of a return to normal conditions. Driving through the Jebel to-day, which after the recent heavy rain thoroughly deserves its name of "Green Range," I met a steady trickle of Italian settlers returning to their homes in carts or on bicycles. In Barce, the centre of the richest agricultural district in the colony, I was told that the majority of the settlers had remained on the land, though the women and children had been sent to Benghazi on the approach of the troops. This broad valley, with its red soil dotted by the white farms of the colonists, is a pleasing sight, and a tribute to the energy and skill with which the Italian Government's settlement policy has been applied.

PROBLEMS

What is to be done about these settlers is one of the most serious and most pressing problems which face the British Administration. It is beyond question that much of the land, which is now farmed, has been simply stolen from its Arab owners. Already cases have occurred of Arabs trying to get their own back at the expense of the colonists.

I saw Arabs who had been obviously looting colonists' farms, and they will certainly try to drive out the Italian farmers if allowed to do so.

On the other hand, it is undeniable that the Italians have done much for the development of the country, and aided considerably to its economic resources.

An additional factor in the situation is the presence as part of the occupying army of Arab force recruited from Libyan refugees and deserters, whom the Arabs will naturally regard as defenders of the national cause.

The British Administrators will be faced once again, as in Palestine, with the task of judging between two races, each of which has a strong case, and of weighing the claims of economic expedience against those of elementary justice.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

SPANISH TOWN SWEPT BY FIRE

TWENTY-FIVE DEAD IN RAIL ACCIDENT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
VICHY, Monday.

While a violent storm is still raging all over Spain, the whole of the old-town section of Santander is reported to have been destroyed by fire, according to despatches reaching Vichy to-night. Several thousands of people have been rendered homeless by the fire, and are camping out on the beach. The cathedral and a bank were among the buildings gutted, the total damage being estimated at 150,000,000 pesetas. The fire is believed to have started with a tanker in the harbour, the flames from which were swept inland by the gale.

Twenty-five people were killed and 125 injured in a railway disaster caused by the gale between Bilbao and San Sebastian.

A Rome despatch says that the train was blown off a bridge, three carriages falling into a river.

Madrid is cut off from San Sebastian, roads and railways being blocked by trees and telegraph poles blown down by the wind.

Five people were injured when a house collapsed at San Sebastian, according to a Havas despatch. Several houses and the front of a hospital collapsed at Zumaya, and the wind also ripped the roofs off many houses at Seville, a number of passers-by being hurt.

MALTA'S TEN RAIDS IN ONE DAY

PRESS ASSOCIATION.
MALTA, Monday.

Malta had ten air raids on Sunday, the largest number yet in a single day. During the past eleven days there have been 63 raids.

An official communiqué says: "On Sunday night several enemy aircraft flew individually over Malta. No bombs were dropped. Some of the raiders are known to have been mine-laying. On Monday morning an enemy formation approached the islands, but no attack materialised. No damage to Government or civil property has been reported."

CRUISKEEN LAWN

Cuirfear go deireannach mo láimh isteach i gcomhrainn dhíg cairce atá agam agus tarraingthear amach an dán so thíos. Ní faca riamh i gcló é agus ní thig liom a rádh go dearbhtha ar chum mé féin é nó ar bhainear é as an Lámhscríbhinn R.I.A. 28 D 24. Nach cuma má tá an dán féin againn?

Gach duine dá dtig do'n toigh
gairid leis lá an tsamhraidh,
ag féachaint clár a chomhla
fá álainn-déanaidh allmhorda.

Neach 'na orrain an tráth tig
teach Comair Mheic Raighlidh
do chí lubhghort is longa
'snach bhí acht údnocht eatorra.

Eang locha do thaobh do'n toigh
faithche uaine ar a h-aghaidh
cuirid sgáile cloch gcorcra
san loch áille iargachta.

Agus—maith an ceannach!—fuaireas sreithín an leagan scríobhtha so ar seanscéal béaloideasa a glacadh síos ó seanóir i gCorca Dorcha na cianta ó shoin.

TALES FROM CORKADORKY—I.

Bhí fear insa tír-se fad oshoin a dtóirfí Téig air agus bhí se ina chônuí leis hín i dteagh bheag. Cha robh greim air bith bidh sa teagh ige agus se'r'd a gheanadh se bheith 'na cholladh i gcônuí ar eagla an ocrais. Bhíodh dúil ghéar sa cholla ige nó d'írigheadh se tinn le h-ocras dá muscailhí e, agus n'air fuaidh se 'na cholladh bhí toil ige bheith mar sin go deo deo. Ach bhí eagla air go dtóirfeadh na daoiní beaga leófa e n'air bhéad se 'na cholladh.

Theinic se thart go robh seanbhean siúil ag goil a' bealach lá 'mháin agus fuaidh sí isteach agus mhuscail sí e ag iarraidh deirce air.

"Goidé 'tá 'dhíth ort, a bhean?" arsa Téig.

"Tá deirc" air sise.

"Imigh leat amach," arsa Téig. "Tá deirc a dhíth orm hín."

"Well," arsa 'bhean, "mur' bhfuil deirc aghat, b'fhéidir go bpósa tú me."

"Cha bposfam," air Téig. "Ca tuige a bposfainn?"

"Tá," arsa 'bhean, "beidh mise ag faire agus n'air bhíos tú 'do cholladh cha leigim a'n duine beo i ngar duid agus ní baol duid o na daoiní beaga ach urud."

"Bhal, sin an fhírinne," arsa Téig.

Annsin fuaidh an seanbhean ar shiúl agus n'air theinic sí arais bhí *dress* posta léithi agus posadh iad annsin gan Téig frí as a' leabaidh.

"Anois," arsa Téig, "tá me ag goil a cholladh agus cha bhíonn dadai agham le teanamh leat."

"Well sin an fhírinne," arsa 'bhean.

Fuaidh se 'na cholladh arais annsin agus bhí lúthair air le fada nár mhuscail se ach is beag an t-íontas nár mhuscail nó bhí se marbh i nganfhios dó hín. Sin ághat scéal Téig na Gorta.

Am agus Aimsear.

Tá réarún na bprátaí úra ag teannadh linn agus ní cian go mbeidh an rampadh Buidhe Beannachtach féin againn. An té atá óg, gní an rampadh níos óige é. Is cuma leis an té atá aosta rampadh nó geimhreadh ann óir caiteann sé urmhór a chuid ama agus iomlán a mhaoine faoghalta sa chúl-treomra i dteach tábhairne ag rógadh rolair agus saidbhir na mbliana amach ar bhuidéal. Go bhfóiridh Dia air, adeir an t-ógánach. Go bhfóiridh Dia ar an ógánach, adeir an sean-bhotaire.

An té a thuigeann an saoghal agus atá críonna go fíor, aithneochaidh sé gur eatarra atá an deagh-chomhairle. Caithidh sé a lá ag fagháil a shláinte amuigh faoi'n ngréin ghlain, agus an oídhche ag leigint a shláinte uaidh ar a fhuaimnear i dtigh an óil.

MYLES NA GCOPALEEN.

FUNERAL OF REV. M. COLGAN

The funeral of the Rev. Michael Colgan, C.S.Sp., Rockwell College, Cashel, took place yesterday after Solemn Office and High Mass at the college, at which there was a large congregation, including three hundred students. The Very Rev. D. Murphy, C.S.Sp., D.D., Provincial, was celebrant of the Mass. Father Colgan was the oldest member of the Rockwell community, and had been associated with the work of the college for almost half a century. A native of Clonbrin, Rathangan, Co. Kildare, he entered the novitiate of the Holy Ghost community near Paris, and, after an absence of seven years, was ordained, and returned to Rockwell, where, for thirty-five years, he was a member of the professorial staff, and his services to the cause of Irish education were very great.

At the conclusion of the High Mass the remains were carried to the adjacent cemetery.

The chief mourners were:—John Colgan (brother), James and Matthew Colgan (nephews), Miss Rose Colgan and Mrs. T. F. O'Donoghue (nieces), Mrs. Bridget Colgan (sister-in-law), Mr. T. J. O'Donoghue, Dublin (nephew-in-law); Mr., Mrs. and Master O. Boland, Ballykelly, Monasterevan; Mrs. J. Colgan, Clonbrin, Rathangan; Mr., Mrs. and Miss Byrne, Rathangan; Master T. Burne, Rathangan (relatives).

There was a very large attendance of clergymen and of the general public.

OLYMPIA THEATRE

"TROUBLE IN HARLEM"

The nigger minstrel show at the Olympia has entered on its second week with an entirely new programme. It opens cheerfully, and maintains the heartiness, which is essential to the success of this type of entertainment, fairly well throughout the evening, although it needs to be brightened in spots. Dave Davis makes an excellent Massa Johnson, and he is well supported in the corners by Wilfred Brambell, Noel Purcell and Johnny Caross. Wilfred Brambell, apart from his comedy stuff, acts his part—this is not always the case with corner men—and sings well in his sketch with Stephen Black, another fine vocalist who gives several good numbers. "Blue River" is a cheerful musical interlude, and the closing party, with such songs as "Marchin' through Georgia," ends the show on the right note. Noel Purcell and Johnny Caross make an amusing comedy pair, with Caross putting in some clever acrobatic work. The Cooke Brothers, and the Thunder Brothers (with Albert Healy at the piano), add to the vocal part of the entertainment. "Trouble in Harlem" is light and amusing, and a reminder of the fact that "black-faced" shows can be good fun.

QUEEN'S THEATRE

"CABARET CAPERS"

There is real novelty this week at the Queen's Theatre, Dublin. An entirely new show was staged last night. This new revue is called "Cabaret Capers," and is in twelve scenes full of comedy sketches, singing and dancing. The final scene is a cabaret, in which the Bailey Family, who were so successful in the previous week's entertainment, are again featured with the expert Queen's Moonbeams and Alex Fryer and the orchestra.

In addition to the cabaret comedy, the audience last night found themselves suddenly absorbed in drama. The revue includes two acts from the play, "The Rebel's Wife," a '98 story, in which Harry Bailey appears in a dramatic *rôle*, and stirring episodes are enacted.

ABBEY THEATRE

"THE SUMMIT"

At the Abbey Theatre, George Shiels's sequel to "The Rugged Path," which he entitled "The Summit," is repeated to run for the week. Audiences last week were very large, and there is no doubt but that such will be the case in the present week. "The Summit" again reveals the playwright's insight into, and sympathy with, the characteristics of country folk. He is never at a loss in showing the humorous side of serious situations, with the result that "The Summit" continuously touches a sympathetic chord in the audiences. The acting is of a quality well calculated to enhance the reputation of the Abbey Company.

LAND FOR THE LANDLESS

DR. RYAN PRAISES PLOTHOLDERS

DIFFICULTY OF GETTING GROUND

AT a meeting of the Irish Allotment Holders' Association in the Dolphin Hotel, Dublin, last night the Minister for Agriculture (Dr. J. Ryan) outlined the Government attitude to the allotment scheme. Members of the Dublin Corporation, the Dail and Senate, Departments of Agriculture and Local Government were present.

The Minister for Agriculture said that the scheme of alloments was now very important, as food might be very dear for some time to come. It gave the landless man a chance to grow food for his family. It was desirable at all times to put allotments at the disposal of the unemployed, and they availed themselves of the scheme very largely. There had been a continuous increase in the number of allotment holders. From 5,500 before the war they had grown to 14,000 for 1941. In 1939 in Dublin they had 500 employed allotment holders and 560 unemployed, and this year the figures were respectively 1,500 and 1,800.

FREE SEED

Where land was let by a Board of Health to unemployed people for allotments the Department of Agriculture, if an approved association offered to administer a scheme of free seed and manures, could deal in the society. The St. Vincent de Paul Society had done that in Dublin and Parish Councils also could take over this work. Employed allotment holders were able to apply direct for credit for manures.

To help the inexperienced in the towns, inspectors had been appointed to give advice on crops. In other places the horticultural inspectors were there to help holders. The standard of cultivation was very good and the enthusiasm of applicants was encouraging. Prize schemes organised locally were a great incentive to plot-holders. In some cases local shows had great success. In Dublin they had one-tenth of an acre and men had made very good attempts to grow their vegetables on this small amount of ground, and some of the reports were astounding. It was estimated that the good plotholder in Dublin produced £12-£14 worth of vegetables in the year which the unemployed man could not afford in the ordinary way.

£11 PER PLOT

The aggregate value of produce from plots in the country was about £11 per plot. Plots were not advocated as a contribution to the national food pool, but as a good influence on the holders. In a scheme of this kind the real kernel of its success was the voluntary worker who organised and ran it.

Mr. J. J. Roe, Secretary of the Allotments Committee, Dublin Corporation, said that the provision of a public scheme was entirely due to the work of the association. The one difficulty in Dublin was the shortage of land. This year it was hoped to provide 3,500 allotments. Last year an additional 1,000 allotments had been given, 750 of them on Corporation property, and land formerly under allotments had been built on, and the plotholder was been pushed farther and farther from the city. The 3,500 could be increased to 4,000 and possibly more.

Mr. J. J. McCall, Hon. Secretary of the association, said that the association was founded twenty-five years ago. It administered the entire city area. Land acquired by the Corporation was leased to the association, which distributed the allotments, collected rents from the holders, and paid the rent to the Corporation. This year they hoped to have an increase of 1,000 holders, the same increase as last year. It was hoped to increase the allotments for unemployed men to 1,800 this year, and if land was available this should rise to 2,000.

SAVED £975

By co-operation with the Government, the association calculated that last year they had saved the Government £975. This year they were distributing 140 tons of seed potatoes. members were induced to adhere to a high standard of cultivation, and last year only thirty-three men had been dispossessed of the plots for lack of cultivation out of a total of 2,148. The evil of alloment schemes on Corporation land was that the holders might be dispossessed in favour of schemes providing work for the unemployed. The usual thing was to give three months' notice, but recently fifteen holders had been dispossessed at a week's notice. The distribution of manure and seed potatoes was held up by the petrol shortage. From 500 to 700 gallons were necessary for this. The need for land was acute, and he appealed to the Minister to see whether the period ensuing before compulsory acquisition could be shortened.

Alderman A. Byrne, T.D.; Mr. H. M. Dockrell, T.D.; Senator D. Healy, Mr. J. McCann, T.D.; Alderman P. S. Doyle, T.D.; Mr. P. J. Fogarty, T.D., and Senator J. Tunney also spoke.

QUARTER MILLION REGISTER

DUBLIN EVACUATION SCHEME

It is officially estimated that the total number of persons registered for evacuation during the past week is in the neighbourhood of a quarter of a million.

Although the figures for Saturday's registrations are not yet available, it is known that they were unusually heavy. It will be at least a week before the detailed analysis of the applications is ready.

COASTAL PLACES

Greystones and other places along the east coast of Wicklow, with the exception of Bray, Wicklow and Arklow, are included in the reception area under the Government's evacuation scheme, an *Irish Times* reporter was informed officially.

In yesterday's issue of the *Irish Times* it was stated that the reception area for Dublin and Dun Laoghaire comprised mainly the counties of Roscommon, Longford and Wicklow (excluding Bray, Wicklow Town and Arklow) as well as the greater part of Leitrim, Meath and Kildare, and part of Westmeath. Before this announcement, however, in at least one case, a person who gave Greystones as the place to which she intended to send her children in the event of an emergency, was told that this town was not included in the reception area for the purposes of the scheme.

It was pointed out yesterday that Greystones is definitely in the reception area, and that the same applies to other smaller places along the coast. The three towns mentioned—Bray, Wicklow and Arklow—are the only prohibited places in the county for the purposes of the scheme.

It was further pointed out, however, that the present plans for evacuation applied only to Dublin and Dun Laoghaire, and it could not be said what places would be affected if and when the Government decided to prepare further schemes.

ACCOMMODATION PLEA

Mr. J. M. Dillon, T.D., speaking from Radio Eireann last night, appealed to householders in evacuation areas to offer accommodation to those who might be compelled to evacuate Dublin.

Thousands of women and children living in Dublin, he said, had registered for evacuation, if and when the Government decided that Dublin was in danger of being bombed. Many of these women and children had indicated that they had relatives or friends in the country with whom they could stay if it became necessary for them to leave their homes; but a great number had no relatives to whom they could go.

His chief purpose was to ask people living in the reception areas to offer accommodation to those people, and to do so willingly to save them from death and agony should Dublin be attacked. In such circumstances he was sure no Irish household would refuse to assist.

GAIETY THEATRE

DANCING SHADOW

Tina .... Peggy Cummins
Isabel Maria Conlan .... May Carey
Mary Conlan .... Christine Hayden
Antony Conlan .... Liam Gaffney
Roberto Le Grange .... Hilton Edwards
Laura Le Grange .... Coralie Carmichael
Tina (grown-up) .... Meriel Moore
Larry Conlan .... Micheal MacLiammóir
Maggie .... Sally Travers
Tommy Reardon .... Roy Irving

The new Edwards-Mac Liammoir season at the Gaiety opened auspiciously last night with Micheal Mac Liammoir's new play, "Dancing Shadow." There was a large and distinguished audience. The play is a strange one, and the audience seemed to feel a good deal of it only with difficulty. It was brilliantly produced and played, and yet it all seemed more than a little unsatisfying. Perhaps it was the tenuous nature of the theme, and it had to deal with more shadows than one—shadowy people, shadowy ideas, shadowy poetry.

The principal shadow was that of a Spanish dancer who casts something out of the nature of her tragic life across the lives of a Dublin family. We begin to see this family, the Conlans, in 1917, while one great war is on; we part with them in 1940, when another has again reached France. The shadow of the dancer is over all we see of them; and what might be purely a romantic theme becomes curiously involved. Moments of comedy brighten it, but the author crowds himself around with difficulty and just barely manages to emerge in the end with his play held for a few fine moments on this plane of beauty.

At other times throughout the evening it seemed to stick and clog in its passage, as if a certain sickliness had almost caught it. We knew that all was going to be right with it in the end, that there was nothing really perilous in its central situation, but we seemed to have to wait too long for the illumination which we knew so well was coming. And even when it came it was a dim and uncertain light which only flickered for a little before it went out finally.

Perhaps the principal fault was a lack of real tenderness in the story. Here we were, as we thought at starting, fairly set for Romance, and although the author seemed to have thought exquisitely of his central characters, and had given them fine lines to say, they did not come to us with the rapture of a Hamlet or a Romeo, an Ophelia or a Juliet. They belonged too completely to the things beyond, and when they went from us it was only to mingle in psychic exaltation with the dead.

The first act took a long time to tell us that a girl, Tina, who is living with the Conlan family, is not the daughter of Antony and Mary Conlan, but that her mother was a famous dancer of Spain. She is being brought up as their child, and she is deeply—one might better say, wildly—attached to Larry Conlan, the little boy she believes to be her brother. The mind-reader, Robert Le Grange, who with his wife, Laura, make a living on the "halls," come by chance among the Conlans and succeed in becoming almost part of the family. Antony Conlan tells le Grange the story, and how the dancer had said when dying that she would always come between the children, because she, as the mother of the girl, and he, as the father of the boy, had been denied their romance.

Years after—twenty-two years after—the position of the children has assumed a strange seriousness. Tina and Larry, grown-up, are still attached, and tragedy begins to hover around them. The shadow that we never see dances between them. We hear the faint sound of distant music. Larry is suddenly called back to France, where his work is, by a psychic telephone message. And when he comes again we know that the two have been finally separated—in this world—by the power of the dead. It is only when all is over that they come to know that they were not really brother and sister.

This is the playwright's difficult story, and he makes a great effort to hold it together. Perhaps, with a little more playing, his success, or otherwise, will be better seen. He is at odds with the quality of tenderness for his central characters, and so they did not seem to come fully to life. Real tenderness came only for a moment in the last act. It sprang to life between Tommy Reardon, a simple young man who Tina might have happily married but for the shadow which enfolded her, and it was grand when it came.

The production was perfectly cast. The author himself, as Larry, was seen at his best in a part that suited, to the last touch, his style and talent. Meriel Moore, as Tina, had nearly all the material that was necessary for a fine study, but she made the most of what she had. The two parts of the Cockney Le Granges were played delightfully by Hilton Edwards and Coralié Carmichael. Peggy Cummins was excellent as Tina, the child, and Sally Travers had one or two useful moments as the maid. The parts of Anthony and Mary Conlan were well handled by Liam Gaffney and Christine Hayden. He told his strange story well in the first act, and she kept most of the comedy of the play going nicely right through. Roy Irving had only a small part as Tommy Reardon, but he made a great deal of it. May Carey perfectly completed the cast with one of her usual fine studies.

HEAVY DEATH-ROLL BY HURRICANE

LISBON, Monday.

Seventy-eight people, 20 of them in Lisbon, are now known to have been killed in the hurricane that swept across Portugal at the week end. Hundreds of other people were injured.

Madeira was also struck by the hurricane which caused damage estimated at 80,000 contos (about £800,000).

In Portugal the gale left a trail of destruction among shipping in the River Tagus and among buildings ashore. Sixteen ships sank in the river, where waves 20 feet high were lashed up by the wind. A British steamer dragged her moorings, but was saved by what are described as feats of valour by life-saving crews. Few streets in Lisbon escaped damage. Rooftiles and masonry were sent whistling through the air and tall chimneys crashed through houses.

A section of the 1939 Class of Army Telegraphists has been called to the Colours to repair damage to telephone and telegraph wires throughout the country.—(Reuter.)

190 DEAD

The Times Lisbon correspondent, in a message on the hurricane in Portugal, states:—

Already over 190 deaths have been recorded, twenty in Lisbon itself, and the number of seriously injured persons runs into several hundreds. Shipwrecks occurred all round the coast, and many stories of heroism are told. The waters which piled up in the Tagus flooded the alluvial plains at the head of the estuary, and there 100 workmen were drowned and 100 others are still missing.

LORD GORT IN THE NORTH

VISIT TO MILITARY AREAS

Viscount Gort, V.C., Inspector-General of Training, is on a visit of inspection of troops in Northern Ireland. Prior to his arrival on Sunday the sky was swept by squadrons of fighter 'planes, while numerous Hurricanes escorted the distinguished soldier and his personal aide-de-camp, Lord Munster, from the other side.

Lord Gort had lunch with the Governor and the Duchess of Abercorn at Hillsborough Castle, where he spent the night.

Yesterday was devoted to a visit to various establishments and units in training, including young soldiers of the Royal Ulster Rifles, in whom Lord Gort was particularly interested.

Lord Gort made a point of stopping N.C.O.'s and men, and asked them questions regarding their service, leave, etc., and ended the conversation with a cordial hand-shake.

FINE GAEL ARD-FHEIS

The Fine Gael Ard Fheis will take place to-day at the Mansion House, Dublin, not at 3 Merrion square.

Samuel Morgan (28), a soldier, of Seaford, Lancs., was found guilty at Liverpool Assizes yesterday of the murder of Mary Hagan (15), a schoolgirl, of Waterloo, who was found dead in a road blockhouse, and was sentenced to death.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT

A CO. TIPPERARY MURDER CHARGE

THE CASE FOR THE STATE

"SORDID AND SQUALID BACKGROUND"

HENRY GLEESON (38), a farmer, of Marl Hill, New Inn, Co. Tipperary, was charged with murdering Mary McCarthy (40), unmarried, of Marl Hill, New Inn, by shooting her on or about November 20th or 21st, 1940.

Mr. J. V. Nolan-Whelan, K.C., and Mr. Sean MacBride (instructed by Mr. J. J. Timoney, solicitor, Tipperary) defended, and Mr. J. A. McCarthy, K.C., and Mr. G. Murnaghan (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted.

Mr. McCarthy, outlining the case, described the death of the woman. A murder, as crafty, as cold-blooded, and as black-hearted as the mind of man could conceive—a murder with a sordid and squalid background.

When asked to plead, the accused man said: "I had neither hand, act nor part in it."

Mr. McCarthy said that on the morning of November 21st last the accused man called to the Civic Guard Station at New Inn and said: "There is a woman dead at the back of a ditch in Cæsar's field near the dug-out." When guards saw the body it appeared that one shot had been fired at her from five or six feet and entered her neck. When she was lying on the ground the shot gun was placed close to her face, and her face was blown away. The prosecution would show that the murder was committed by design by some person with something to gain by Mary McCarthy's death, something to lose by her living; by somebody whose presence on Cæsar's land would not be a surprise, who had the opportunity of going on that land, who knew where Mary McCarthy would go, and who had an easy access and means of escape. She was trapped and shot by somebody who had all that knowledge, and who

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tried then to mutilate her beyond recognition. The accused man had a single-barrelled shot-gun. On October 3rd last he bought 25 Ely Grand Prix cartridges. That gun was also used by the accused man. Mary McCarthy was the mother of seven illegitimate children, six of whom were alive and living with her, three boys and three girls. Mary McCarthy lived on relief and the kindness of her neighbours. It would be suggested that Gleeson gave her assistance by stealth, as association with her would probably deprive him of his probable inheritance of his uncle's farm.

HEARD TWO SHOTS

Gleeson and the woman met many times, and on the Wednesday in question she left five of the children in the house and went out. Harry Gleeson was at the same time out of the Cæsar house, and Thomas Hennessy, a neighbour, heard two shots fired with an interval of two or three minutes between them. These were the shots which killed Mary McCarthy, and it would be sworn that the first was fired from ambush and that the person who fired them got over a fence while she was lying on the ground and fired the second shot into her face.

Dr. McGrath, State Pathologist, continued Mr. McCarthy, would tell them that the woman was shot while lying on the ground, but that the body had been shifted after the second shot. All the necessary wads of two cartridges were found around the body and in the clothes. In the doctor's opinion the woman had been murdered between two and five hours after her last meal, and when he saw her on the 22nd she was dead between 24 and 48 hours.

In Cæsar's house, said Mr. McCarthy, the Guards found a shotgun which was clean, but smelt freshly of powder. The cleaning rod found had copious deposits of powder on it. They got ten No. 5 Ely Grand Prix cartridges, so that of the 25 cartridges Cæsar had bought 15 were missing. The Guards searched the land and found 15 spent cartridges, 12 of which, it would be proved, had been fired from Cæsar's gun. Two of the cartridges found on the land were twisted; one was found near the body and the other concealed in a hedge. The expert would say that these two cartridges were the last two fired from the gun and must have been fired in or about November 20th.

A few days after the murder a Guard found a bag in Caesar's stable and put it among fourteen others found in Caesar's barn. Young Michael McCarthy picked the bag out as his mother's bag, which, the prosecution suggested, had been given to Gleeson by Mary McCarthy to give her potatoes at the dug-out, thereby occasioning the meeting at which she was shot. Was Henry Gleeson the man who got this bag? The accused man's clothes were examined, and on the top left-hand breast pocket and on the left leg of the dungarees were found bloodstains.

The hearing was adjourned until this morning.

OBITUARY

MR. EDWARD J. DAVIES

Mr. Edward J. Davies, whose death took place at a London nursing home on Thursday last, had been in failing health for some time. He was the second son of the late District Inspector James Taaffe Davies, Royal Irish Constabulary, and a grandson of the late Edward ffrench Beytagh, Q.C. Mr. Davies, who was fifty-four years of age, was educated at Clongowes Wood College and Presentation College, Cork. He had a distinguished Intermediate career and he matriculated with honours at the Royal University of Ireland. Shortly afterwards he entered the service of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and spent several years in the Far East. In 1937 he became joint manager in London, which position he held up to his death. In his younger days Mr. Davies was a prominent figure in Dublin chess circles, and he won many championships at home and abroad. He is survived by his brother, Mr. Douglas J. Davies, of the Federated Malay States, and by his sister, Mrs. J. J. Hayes, of Rathgar.

MR. P. GILLILAND

The death took place on Sunday, at his residence, Rathmona, Glen road, Belfast, of Mr. Patrick Gilliland, who was well-known in the pig and bacon industry in Northern Ireland. He was the managing director of the Irish Bacon Co. and a director of the Ulster Ice and Cold Stores, Ltd., and was one of the largest pig buyers in Ireland. He is survived by his wife, son and a daughter.

THE EXPLOSION AT BALLYCOTTON

£950 TO REPAIR DWELLINGS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
CORK, Monday.

The damage to dwellinghouses caused by the explosion of a mine washed ashore at Ballycotton amounted to £950, according to a report to South Cork Board of Health today by Messrs. B. O'Flynn, B.E., and J. O'Sullivan, B.E. In addition, there was damage to furniture on which they thought it would be better to have the opinion of an auctioneer. It was stated that the Department of Local Government had been informed of the engineers' report and that steps had already been taken to carry out the necessary repairs.

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK. Jan., 1941:—Successful from ROSSE COLLEGE, 65 Stephen's Green, Dublin:—S. Breen, P. Fleming, L. Flynn, F. Keegan, M. Kelly, P. McLaughlin, S. O'Keane, T. Turley. —(Advt.)

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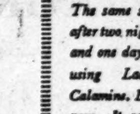
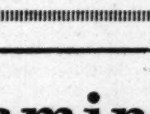
Through the microscope



MONDAY
A micro-photograph showing a section of the skin of a girl's face, magnified 104 times, before application of Lacto-Calamine. Neglect had caused skin roughness which appears as ridges.



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THE BALKANS

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YUGOSLAVS' VISIT TO BERCHTESGADEN

NO CONFIRMATION OF GERMAN PROMISES

There is no indication that any particularly drastic developments will arise as a result of Hitler's talks at Berchtesgaden with the Yugoslav Premier and Foreign Minister, M. Svetkovitch and M. Cincar-markovitch, writes the Press Association Diplomatic Correspondent. Somewhat pessimistic accounts, conveying the impression that Yugoslavia is giving way to German pressure, have already been published about the conversations. These stories are being fostered by the German Press and news agencies, for obviously such reports suit the Nazi book.

In London there is no confirmation of the reports that Hitler made promises of Albanian territory to the Yugoslavs, nor, at any rate at the moment, that anything particularly terrible has occurred. It should not be assumed that Yugoslavia is prepared to accept proposals of this kind, which are designed to buy that country's complacence at the expense of someone else. It might have been the hope of Yugoslav statesmen that by going to Berchtesgaden to listen to Hitler, and afterwards examining and consulting with their colleagues, they would be able to gain some clue as to Germany's real intentions in the Balkans. It has been estimated that Germany has 350,000 troops concentrated in Rumania, and it is suggested that their march into Bulgaria will not long be delayed.

AVOIDING MILITARY OPERATIONS

Hitler, however, prefers whenever possible to obtain his victories without fighting, and more than ever to-day desires to adhere to his promise to the German people that never again should they be called upon to fight on two fronts. He may not be particularly anxious to create a military front in the Balkans. The vast German Army in Rumania might well be an integral part of the present nerve war sent to drill the Balkan countries into a condition of pliability without having to embark upon any new military adventures whatever.

The possibility, even the likelihood, of military operations cannot be excluded, but the fact that Hitler first by means of threats dealt with Rumania, then turned to Bulgaria, and has now had conversations with Yugoslav statesmen suggests that he is anxious to avoid military operations.

THEATRE ROYAL

VARIETY PROGRAMME

The variety programme presented at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, this week, is well provided with musical items and comedy. Jimmy Campbell and his orchestra contribute some delightful operatic selections, while A. Gordon Spicer plays some of the compositions of Leslie Stuart. A witty pair of singers are The Hayes Comedy Duo, while pleasant items are also contributed by Harvey and Forbes and the Everett Brothers.

The film feature is "Rhythm on the River," with Bing Crosby and Basil Rathbone.

DREADNOUGHT SCHOOL OF DRESSMAKING

Mrs. Bond, Principal of the Dreadnought School of Dressmaking, who has arrived in Dublin from Southport, gave lectures yesterday in the Royal Hibernian Hotel.

The lectures were well attended, and dealt with the Dreadnought system of pattern-making and designing, which has been evolved by Mrs. Bond herself.

Simplicity is the keynote of the system, and Mrs. Bond demonstrated how any garment can be successfully cut and fitted from the one basic pattern.

Mrs. Bond stressed the fact that any model could be copied by those familiar with her system, and garments made by students were shown.

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make you liable to
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That awful pain which shoots down the back of your leg—following the track of your great sciatic nerve—is caused by rheumatic acids which inflame the muscles and joints and irritate your nerves. Before you can count yourself free from risk of sciatica, or rheumatic pains spreading to other parts, YOU HAVE GOT TO DEAL WITH THESE RHEUMATIC ACIDS.

Therefore get a tin of Fynnon Salt today and get rid of your rheumatic acids just as Mr. Kemp did! Writing from Rochford, Essex, he says:

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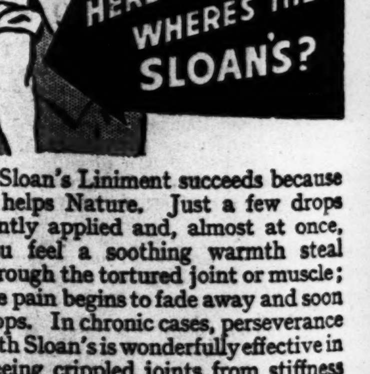
RHEUMATISM.



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SLOAN'S
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KILLS PAIN

At Belfast Custody Court, yesterday, Mr. J. H. Campbell, K.C., R.M., remanded Agnes Burns, Eglinton street, on bail until Thursday on a charge of stealing £20 from a Dutch seaman.

Racing Gossip

POSSIBLE CHALLENGERS TO ST. MARTIN

Another "Red Cross" Trial at Navan This Week

By Our Racing Correspondent.

THE appearance of the weights for the Red Cross Steeplechase last Saturday morning endowed the three miles steeplechase at Leopardstown with special interest. No less than eleven of the runners are engaged in the big race on next Saturday fortnight, and as the weights generally are much the same, the running naturally was expected to give some pointers as to the chances of the various candidates. Few, however, expected that one horse would so dominate the race from start to finish as St. Martin did. He was among the leaders all the way, and along the railway side of the course the second time round began to move away from all the others. The race was as good as over then, and, though Bel et Bon and Swindon Glory, hard ridden by their jockeys, continued the pursuit, it was all to no purpose, and St. Martin won as easily as a horse could.

It was always Cecil Brabazon's estimate that this horse would develop into a "smasher," and it looks as if his opinion about him will be borne out. The question arises: Will he stay the extra mile which the Red Cross Steeplechase entails? There was nothing about his running on Saturday to suggest that he will not. He was running on in easy style after he had jumped the last fence, with the others straggling home at almost walking pace, many of them, as well, having missed several fences *en route*. If ever a horse came through a public trial for a future race satisfactorily he certainly did.

Generous Odds

In the Red Cross Steeplechase he will be galloping over the same course and fences, none of which caused him any trouble on last Saturday. A 2lb. penalty should not make any difference to him, and I think if we are to look for one to beat him it must be from among the lot that did not run at the week-end. Excuses might be made, perhaps, for Drumlargin and Workman, who had been absent from a racecourse for a considerable time, but none of the others would seem to hold any chance of tackling Miss Mathieson's horse.

It would interesting to see what odds would be offered against St. Martin if there were a call-over some time previous to the race. Such there will not be, I understand, but one leading bookmaker is bold enough to offer his own prices, and he quotes St. Martin at 5 to 1, very reasonable odds in my opinion. West Point is quoted at 10 to 1, Sir Sen, Bel et Bon, John Chinaman, Swindon Glory and Symaethis figure on the 14 to 1 mark, and, except for Ring of Gold, who is offered at 16 to 1, very enticing odds are offered against the others. In my opinion, if nothing untoward happens in the meantime, St. Martin will be at a much shorter rate of odds on the day of the race.

Two With Chances

West Point's running on Saturday was not quite satisfactory, but the distance of the race, 2½ miles, was much too short for him, and again it must be remembered that he had not had a race for over a year prior to running at Baldoyle on the previous Saturday. I quite expect him to give a far better account of himself in the Red Cross Steeplechase, but at the moment the horses that strike me as holding the best chances against St. Martin are Symaethis and Donohill. The form of Symaethis in England has been good, and Donohill we know can stay, for he won the Conyngham Cup at Punchestown, and on Saturday, in a two miles flat race, showed a good turn of speed when dead-heating with Joint Stock.

The Navan "Trial"

Further opportunity for viewing prospective candidates will be afforded on Saturday next at Navan. Knockadroleen, Workman, Astrom, West Point, John Chinaman, Sir Sen, Sterling Duke, Dalmatian, General Chiang, Hoy Lee and Hallowvein are engaged in the Ardmulchan Plate, run over a distance of three miles. This fine galloping course should suit West Point, who may encounter most trouble from Drumbilla.

It will be like old times travelling by rail to Navan. When the meeting started the general run of people went by train either to Navan Station and thence by hackney car to the course, or went on to the racecourse siding, which entails a walk of under a mile to the stands. It is well to have such means of travel to fall back upon. On Saturday a special train leaves Westland Row at 12.20, Amiens Street 12.25, reaching the siding at 1.40, giving ample time to walk leisurely to the stands before racing starts. The return special leaves the siding at 5.30.

Closing of Races

Entries close to-morrow with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin, for five races at Limerick St. Patrick's Day Meeting, and four races at Mallow March Meeting.

Louth Hunt "Off"

While it is to be regretted that the Louth Hunt Meeting at Mullacurry will not be held this year, it is quite plain that no other alternative was open to the executive. Mullacurry is one of the most ungetatable courses in Ireland, and, without a plentiful supply of petrol for motor cars, it would be impossible to carry through the meeting. One can sympathise with the local people, who looked forward to the meeting from year to year, but the fixture will come into its own again when times return to normal.

Southwell Results

1.0—STOKE HANDICAP HURDLE of £82. 2½ m.
Mr. Stuart May's b. g. MIRANO, by Miracle—Fridoline, a, 9-13 ... C. Taylor 1
Capt. J. Norris's PORTPATRICK, a, 10-10 ... T. Isaac 2
Mr. A. Francis's PRAXITELES, a, 11-1 ... K. Piggott 3

Also ran:—Irish Duke (E. Foley), 4; Joyeux Hector (N. Sawers), 5; Peace Disturber (C. Soares), 6; Gingko (R. Smyth), 7; Knight of Monaster (F. Gurney), 8; Agleam (T. Carey), Philadelphie (Mr W. R. Bissill), Great Barton (P. Lay), Mrs. Grundy (E. C. Brown), Strome Ferry (W. Drinkwater), Easter Rush (D. Jones), last. (Winner trained by T. R. Leader.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Gingko, 11 to 2 Portpatrick, 6 to 1 Praxiteles, 13 to 2 Joyeux Hector, 15 to 2 Agleam, 8 to 1 MIRANO, 10 to 1 Peace Disturber, 20 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 16/3; places, 4/6, 2/9, 5/6.

Won by 30l.; 2l. Agleam, Great Barton, and Strome Ferry were pulled up. Time—5 mins. 43 2-5 secs.

1.30 — BALDERTON OPTIONAL SELLING HURDLE of £82. 2 m.
Mr. H. Brueton's ch. m. AFRICAN SISTER, by Prester John—Meloa, a, 11-4 ... K. Piggott 1
Mr. J. Ismay's FIERY KNIGHT, 6, 10-12 ... Mr. L. Vick 2
Mr. D. G. Marshall's NOBLE KING, a, 9-9 ... T. Skevington 3

Also ran:—Blue Pearl II. (C. Mitchell), 4; Albion (Mr. P. Vaux), 5; Pipe Major (A. Goodwill), 6; Galadale (T. Isaac), 7; Glucose (W. Drinkwater), Capsolin (W Hollick), Dardanus (Mr. S. Midgley), Calydon II. (W. Parker), Shelton (G. Wilson), last. (Winner trained by C. Piggott.)

Betting—11 to 10 on AFRICAN SISTER, 5 to 2 agst. Fiery Knight, 8 to 1 Shelton, 100 to 8 Noble King, 100 to 7 each Capsolin and Blue Pearl II., 25 to 1 Calydon II., 33 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 8/9; places, 3/6, 3/3, 7/9.

Won by a head; 4l. Calydon II. fell. Time—4 mins. 29 4-5 secs.

2.0—DOVE MAIDEN HURDLE of £82. 2 m.
Miss D. Paget's b c. ANARCHIST, by Taj Ud Din—Fontaine Francaise, 4, 10-5 ... K. Piggott 1
Capt. P. D. Rawlins's FERMETE, 5, 10-10 ... Capt. P. Rawlins 2
Mr. M. A. Hedley's LISTOR, 6, 11-5 ... G. Wilson 3

Also ran:—Bentworth (E. Taylor), 4; Chrysolite (W. Redmond), 5; Tamworth (W. Stephenson), 6; Proud Servant (Mr. S. H. Midgley), 7; Arlington Lass (J. Millar), 8; Right Saint (R. Young), St. Swithin (Mr. P. Vaux), Revolte (Mr. A. H. Prichard), King of Thrace (D. Jones), Rompaway (Capt. J. Hislop), Sugarcane (J. Wanless), Old Chums (J. Ward), Dark Pelette (W. Hollick), Dol Gelynen (F. Gurney), Allegiance (W. Parvin), last; l'Aigoual (R. Smyth), disq. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Listor, 4 to 1 l'Aigoual, 9 to 2 ANARCHIST, 6 to 1 Tamworth, 100 to 8 Fermete, 100 to 7 Dark Pelette, 20 to 1 Bentworth, 33 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 12/9; places, 4/-, 5/3, 2/9.

Won by 12l; 6l. Right Saint fell. l'Aigoual finished third, but was disqualified. Time—4 mins. 31 1-5 secs.

2.30 — BINGHAM SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £82 2 m.
Mr. C. Nicholson's b. h. PRIME, by Prince Galahad—Convallaria, a, 10-12 ... Capt. J. Hislop 1
Mrs. J. Dawson's TICKLE, a, 10-0 ... J. Millar 2
Mr. A. H. Brain's CELTIC ROVER, a, 11-13 ... G. Wilson 3

Also ran:—Santiose (F. Gurney), last and only other to finish; Loyal Prince (P. Lay), Ballyfox (D. Jones), Galway Bay (T. Rimell), And How (J. Knott), Rough Rider (W. Hollick), Rochester Cottage (A. Goodwill), Hopyard (H. Nicholson), Abou (Capt. P. Rawlins). (Winner trained privately.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Hopyard, 5 to 1 each PRIME and Galway Bay, 6 to 1 each Celtic Rover and Santiose, 100 to 6 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 10/-; places, 3/6, 22/-, 4/6.

Won by 12l; 8l. Ballyfox, Galway Bay, Rochester Cottage and Abou fell. Loyal Prince, And How, Rough Rider and Hopyard were pulled up. Time—4 mins. 53 3-5 secs.

There was no bid for the winner.

3.0—CLIFTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £82 3 m.
Mr. K. Cameron's b. g. SCHUBERT, by Lightning Artist—Wild Music, a, 11-7 ... G. Wilson 1
Sir Westrow Hulse's THE TOP, a, 11-10 ... F. Gurney 2
Mr. J. E. Smith's ALDEANO, a, 10-11 ... Mr. J. E. Smith 3

Also ran:—Le Titien III. (D. Jones), Santick (P. Lay), Goldscleugh (Mr. Lillingston), Double Royal (W. Hollick), Ingrannes (W. Drinkwater), Don Cossack (Mr. W. H. Bissill), Lady Cashier (J. Millar). (Winner trained by Beechener.)

Betting—6 to 4 on SCHUBERT, 9 to 2 agst. Santick, 10 to 1 Aldeano, 100 to 8 The Top, 20 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 2/9; places, 3/-, 5/3, 4/6.

Won by 8l.; bad third. Only the placed horses finished. Santick Goldscleugh, Double Royal, Le Titien III. and Ingrannes were pulled up. Don Cossack and Lady Cashier fell. Time—6 min. 39 3-5 secs.

3.30—UPTON STEEPLECHASE of £82. 2 m.
Mr. Eric Platt's b. g. OCULTOR, by Collaborator—Oculiste, 6, 11-11 ... T. Rimell 1
Mr. S. Webster's FONTAINEBLEAU, a, 11-11 ... T. Isaac 2
Mr. A. S. Kilpatrick's VERIDAN, a, 11-11 ... P. Lay 3

Also ran:—Nowt To Laugh At (G. Wilson) last. (Winner trained by Rimell.)

Betting—13 to 8 agst. OCULTOR, 7 to 4 Veridan, 3 to 1 Nowt To Laugh At, 10 to 1 Fontainebleau. Tote (2/-)—Win, 4/6.

Won by 6l.; 12l. Time—4 mins. 56 1-5 secs.

TOTE DAILY DOUBLE (10/- stake)—Anarchist and Schubert—Dividend, £5 17/-; pool, £359; 58 winning tickets.

THE NEW EMERGENCY SPORT

Major Niall MacNeill finds the water splash difficult in Saturday's bicycle trial of the Irish Motor Racing Club. Lieutenant C. H. W. Manders (right) looks slightly apprehensive on a stretch of rough "going."

Motoring

"Laying Up" the Car

By HAROLD C. BROWN

THE laying up of motor vehicles is a subject that we all are taking seriously nowadays. Several correspondents have asked me questions which I have endeavoured to answer by letter, and now one suggests that I should publish an article giving hints about the precautions desirable when machines are put aside "for the duration." Such an article would, I agree, be timely.

Shortly after the outbreak of war the engineers' department of the Royal Automobile Club compiled the following recommendations for those who contemplated laying up their cars:—

The car should be thoroughly washed and polished; all the usual chassis parts lubricated, and all plated or bright parts coated with petroleum jelly. In the case of an open car, the hood should be raised. The axles should be set on blocks of wood, so that the tyres clear the floor. If the tops of the blocks are grooved the possibility of the axles slipping off will be eliminated.

Tyre pressures should be reduced to about half the normal pressure. It also is important that tyres should be stored in the dark, as the effect of light is injurious.

The Water System

SHOULD the period of storage include cold weather and the motor house not be heated, drain the water system when hot and remove the radiator cap to provide an outlet for any steam. Make certain that any plugs or taps for draining such lower points as cylinder jackets and pump are turned on and the water emptied out. In cases of engines with special alloy heads, an inhibitor may have to be used. Advice should be sought from the manufacturer (presumably from the assembler in Eire) before letting the water out.

The sparking plugs should be removed and about a teaspoonful of engine oil poured into each cylinder. The engine should then be turned by hand to distribute the oil on the cylinder walls, after which the plugs should be replaced.

The battery should be removed and left with a battery service station for proper attention.

To prevent damage by moths the upholstery should be well brushed and then sprinkled with one of the special powders available. Particular attention should be given to the upholstery at the base of the doors, also all folds; cushions, mats and any other detachable parts can be wrapped in newspaper.

Dry and Dark

THE storage place should be dry and dark, if possible, and an even temperature is desirable. Anyway, sudden changes of temperature and too close proximity to any heating appliance should be avoided.

It is advisable to drain the petrol tank.

The car doors and windows should be closed and the vehicle covered with a sheet, which should be left loose at the sides to permit an air flow around the body. The hand-brake should be released. The keys of ignition and door should be labelled and tied to the steering wheel.

The Wakefield Research Department advise the following precautions before laying up a car:—First, drain out the old oil while the engine is hot and then flush the engine twice with flushing oil, accelerating the engine in neutral for a few seconds to dislodge any solid material held in pockets. Then refill the engine with a pure mineral oil and run the engine for five minutes to circulate the new oil all round.

Batteries

FURTHER advice on batteries by the R.A.C. runs: The most satisfactory procedure to keep the battery in healthy condition is by giving it periodical freshening charges. To this end the battery should be removed and given a thorough charge up from an outside source. It should then be stored in a cool, dry place and given a thorough freshening charge, preferably once a month, but at the very least once every two months. A final freshening charge should be given just before it is put back into regular service.

Each of these freshening charges should be given at the recommended normal rate, which is approximately four amperes for a 57 ampere-hour battery, six amperes for an 85 ampere-hour battery, and *pro rata* for other sizes. The freshening charge should be kept on till the specific gravity in each cell, as read by a hydrometer, has come up to the maximum reading and has shown no rise for, say, three to five hours. The battery should be topped up with water just prior to each of these freshening charges.

Use of Service Station

WHEN the battery is first put out of commission, the precaution should be taken of thoroughly cleaning and vaselining the terminals to prevent corrosion. Few will be able to carry out this battery service at home, and the R.A.C. recommends storage in a battery service station.

A correspondent to whom I replied very briefly on the subject of batteries should study this R.A.C. advice. He was troubled about the difficulty of conveying the battery to a service station or garage; probably he could arrange with one to call for it.

It also is true that some experienced members of the motor trade of my acquaintance are not taking anything like the trouble recommended by the R.A.C. They are leaving their batteries in their cars, in the hope, no doubt, that the period of immobilisation will not be long. I had the idea that every fortnight or so I would start the engine and run my car up and down the garden path to keep it in working order; but I have yet to discover if there will be sufficient petrol for that plan, and I am afraid that, if we are in for a very long war, the wisest thing would be the complete laying-up outlined.

SUBSTITUTES FOR PETROL

TO BE DISCUSSED BY DUBLIN ENGINEERS

A meeting of the Engineers' Association will be held in the Dolphin Hotel, Essex street, Dublin, on Thursday, 20th instant, at 7.30 p.m., when the subject of substitutes for the petrol-driven engine in the present emergency will be discussed. Expert opinion will be submitted in the form of short lectures, and the following will come up for discussion:—Producer-gas driven vehicles, town-gas driven vehicles, battery-driven vehicles, and steam-driven vehicles. Representatives of the motor industry and all other interested bodies are being invited to attend and submit their views.

Horses in Training

Strong Team of Jumpers at Craddoxtown House

By Our Curragh Correspondent.

MRS. A. SIMMONS' Donohill, who dead-heated at Leopardstown last Saturday with Joint Stock in the Corinthian Plate, is already a Conyngham Cup winner, and he has been entered for this event at Punchestown again. He is also in the Red Cross 'Chase, in which his weight is 10st. 13lb., and, no doubt, he will give a good account of himself in this. Mr. J. W. Osborne took the mount on Saturday, and he showed he had lost little, if any, of the old prowess in the saddle, of which in other years he gave so many samples. He holds the proud record of breeding, owning and riding the winner of the Kildare Hunt Cup at the Punchestown festival three years in succession. This was Alice Whitethorn, dam of Alice Rockthorn, winner of a memorable Galway Plate. The latter mare in her turn became the dam of Alice Maythorn, who won the Irish Grand National, and became the dam of a very fine young horse now in the stable at Craddoxtown House, Naas, a great quality four-year-old named Barghora, who looks all over a racehorse in the making.

Steady Jack fenced almost as well as West Point in Doitagain's race at Leopardstown, and on that running he is surely one to be followed at the steeplechase meetings to come. Baybush was a good second to the greatly improved Prospect Lad in the Scalp Hurdle. So the Craddoxtown horses can be regarded as being bang in form. Baybush, Donohill, Jack's the Boy, Blarney, Corn Prince, Steady Jack, National Lad, On the Go and Court-na-ree make a nice team, all winners as they are. Miss Mansfield's On the Go won his last three races, and appears to be one of the most promising young 'chasers in the country. He should do well in the valuable maiden events that figure so largely in our spring programmes. The horses in training are:—

Baybush, b. m., aged, by Swindon—Cherry Glen.
Donohill, br. g., aged, by Golden Orb—Blance.
Jack's the Boy, ch. g., aged, by Jackdaw of Rheims—Bargainer.
Blarney, br. m., aged, by Poor Man—Mary Lewis.
Ford Radio, br. g., aged, by Hartford—Radiogram.
Corn Price, br. g., aged, by Cornkale—Princess Tozzi.
Steady Jack, br. g., aged, by Free Return—Fugle Star.
National Lad, br. g., 6 yrs., by Lansdowne—Nationality.
Ballytontin, br. g., 6 yrs., by Tonton—Ballyconnor.
Court-na-ree, br. g., 5 yrs., by Romney—Beaming.
On the Go, b. g., 5 yrs., by Milesius—Miss Fugitive.
Silver Cat, ch. m., 5 yrs., by Catalin—Silver Fairy.
Barghora, bl. g., 4 yrs., by Embargo—Alice Maythorn.
Ki Vi, b. g., 4 yrs., by Visellus—Lady Kishaun.
B. f., 4 yrs., by Wavetop—Alice Whitethorn.
Br. g., 3 yrs., by Jackdaw of Rheims—Alice Whitethorn.
Vienna, gr. f., 2 yrs., by Tiberius—Vallema.

Owners:—Mrs. A. Simmons, Mrs. S. Freeman, Hon. Mrs. E. Massey, Mrs. B. M. O'Rourke, Miss H. Ball, Miss D. P. Reynolds, Miss R. Mansfield, Mrs. J. W. Osborne, Mr. P. Minch, Mr. P. J. Murphy, Mr. J. Quinn, Colonel M. Hogan, and self.

Jockeys—J. Moloney and J. Marshall.

Point-To-Point

South County Dublin Harriers' Meet

The South County Dublin Harriers hold their annual point-to-point meeting at Cheeverstown, Clondalkin, to-morrow, the first race being timed for 2.30. Sixty-three entries have been received and big fields are expected. The committee have arranged for a service of cars and cabs to meet main road 'buses at Newlands Cross. The usual 'bus service passes the course.

CLONTARF SWIMMING CLUB

The annual general meeting will be held to-morrow evening at 7 o'c. in Koran's Hotel, Talbot street (by kind permission).

Squash Rackets

McVeagh's Bid for Irish Title

The Irish Championship Meeting commenced yesterday at Fitzwilliam. In the only first round match of the championship P. D. McWeeney, one of the four seeded players—the other three are T. G. McVeagh, W. A. Sandys, and C. A. Kemp—defeated N. D. Good in four games. Good was keeping a rather more consistent length throughout a long first set but in the next three McWeeney's drops, combined with an improved length, gave him a comfortable victory.

McVeagh, a three times winner of this event, made his first appearance in it since 1937, and showed all his old steadiness and soundness in beating C. Chamney, of Triflers, for the loss of two points. Chamney is inexperienced, and made a lot of errors off return of service, but he ran very hard at times, and deserved more points than he won.

An excellent performance was that of R. K. Pilkington in beating the Trinity man, J. V. Luce, in four games. Pilkington had a far wider range of shots than his opponent, and all Luce's retrieving was of no avail. Results:—

IRISH CHAMPIONSHIP—First Round.

P. D. McWeeney beat N. D. Good—8-10, 9-4, 9-2, 9-3.

Second Round.

T. G. McVeagh beat C. Chamney—9-0, 9-2, 9-0.
R. K. Pilkington beat J. V. Luce—9-4, 9-3, 7-9, 9-6.

MEN'S HANDICAP—CLASS A—First Round.

R. B. Pringle (.3) beat T. J. O'Driscoll (.5)—8-10, 9-2, 5-9, 9-3, 9-0.

WOMEN'S HANDICAP—CLASS B—First Round.

Miss B. Stokes (1 plus 4) beat Miss P. O'Riordan (1 plus 2)—9-1, 9-2.
Miss I. Harding (1) w.o., Miss A. Stephens (scr.) scr.

Second Round.

Miss J. Myerscough (scr.) beat Miss I. Harding (1)—10-8, 9-7.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

12. 0—Miss N. Ryan v. Mrs. P. Coleman.
12.30—Miss N. Smiles v. Miss Hamilton.
1.15—Miss A. Stokes v. Miss D. Moriarty.
1.30—Miss E. Devlin v. Miss B. Graham.
2. 0—Miss M. Sweetman v. Miss V. McClelland.
2.30—Mrs. D. George v. Miss P. Mooney.
3. 0—Miss V. Croasdaile v. Mrs. W. Hamilton.
3.30—Miss D. Welply v. Mrs. A. P. McWeeney
4. 0—S. Douglas v. C. Berger.
4.30—J. V. Luce v. C. Chamney.
5. 0—R. K. Pilkington v. C. M. Hind.
5.30—G. M. Greene v. R. N. Hogan
6. 0—W. Sandys v. G. B. M. Yeates (C.).
6.30—K. O'B. Kenney v. J. W. Tuckey.
7. 0—A. P. McWeeney v. J. J. Fitzsimmons.
7.30—L. F. Orr v. S. E. Law.
8. 0—M. Crowe v. J. H. Douglas.
8.30—J. C. Anderson v. M. A. J. O'Reilly.

Association Football

NO EASY PASSAGES IN CUP SECOND ROUND

THERE was a tendency to assume that the passage of Cork United and Waterford into the semi-finals of the F.A.I. Cup might be taken for granted, but the performances of Drumcondra and Limerick on Sunday last must have shaken the complacency of the Southern Clubs' supporters. Cork United, of course, with nine successive wins to their credit and the advantage of being at home in the Cup second round, must be strongly fancied to beat Drumcondra, but the latter have only to play as they did on Sunday last to upset Cork's prospects of bringing off a League and Cup "double."

Drumcondra expect a big crowd of their supporters to make the trip to Cork on March 2nd. They have arranged an excursion train which will leave Kingsbridge at 10 a.m., returning from Cork at 7 p.m.

Limerick had been going so badly in the League that they were not thought to have much chance against Waterford. On Sunday's form, however, they might easily beat Waterford. They were a better team than St. James's Gate, with plenty of enterprise in attack, whereas Waterford, against Drumcondra were not at all impressive. A week previously Waterford were lucky to beat Bohemians in the Cup first round, and a week before that they were only able to draw with Shelbourne at Waterford. Limerick will be at home in the Cup match and that will be an additional incentive to them to win.

Shelbourne were a better team than Bohemians, although they only drew on Saturday, and Dundalk are going to have to fight hard to reach the semi-final. The remaining match between Shamrock Rovers and Brideville is as uncertain as Brideville themselves, and that means a lot.

DANGEROUS PLAY

The subject of dangerous play continues to be discussed virtually every time that "soccer" followers gather together, and it is no asset to the game that one player's name now is popularly prefaced with the nickname "Killer." Two players in particular are mentioned in such discussions, but one of them seems to have modified in the form of attack very considerably in recent weeks. Possibly a word in season was spoken by his club and the club of the other player might be advised to do their piece of speaking.

Dangerous play is an offence against the rules of football, even if technically no foul is otherwise observable. The remedy for it is a concern of the clubs and if they cannot eliminate it, then referees may have to be urged to deal drastically with offenders.

MR. R. H. KYLE DEAD

Mr. Robert H. Kyle, who for 25 years held the post of secretary-manager to Sunderland F.C., died in hospital at Sunderland yesterday. In his early days Bob Kyle played as a goalkeeper for Belfast Celtic, and was also honorary secretary to that club when appointed to the managership of Sunderland in 1903.

Hockey

Week's Cup Fixtures

To-day—Schools' Senior Cup—Avoca v. Mountjoy, Londonbridge road, 3.15 (W. Chiddick and G. V. S. Ireland).

To-morrow—Irish Senior Cup replay—Pembroke Wanderers v. Y.M.C.A., Serpentine avenue, 4.30 (W. Chiddick and H. W. Cooper).

Thursday—Schools' Cups at Imperials' ground, Crumlin. Senior—Dundalk v. St. Columba's, 3.0 (P. O'Driscoll and G. V. S. Ireland). Junior—Kilkenny v. Carrickmacross, 2.30 (H. H. Peterson and C. Bruton). Minor—King's Hospital v. St. Patrick's, 3.45 (A. G. Coates and W. C. Leopold).

Saturday—Mills' Cup—Monkstown v. Y.M.C.A. or Pembroke Wanderers v. Portrane. Railway Cup—Railway Union 2nd v. Pembroke Wanderers 2nd; Bray Rovers v. Clonliffe-Fingal 2nd. Minor Cup—Dalkey 3rd v. Cartonians; Y.M.C.A. 4th v. Railway Union 4th.

RACING MAY BE HELD AT NEWBURY THIS YEAR

Although the official list of preliminary flat race fixtures has not yet been released for publication, there is every possibility that the Newbury racecourse will be available this season.

Rugby Football

Robertson's Hundred Points

TWO penalty goals against Bective on Saturday enabled A. B. Robertson, Wanderers' captain and out-half, to complete his century of points for the season. His total is made up of 4 tries, 8 penalty goals, 18 "converts," and 7 dropped goals. He scored one try for the Rest of Leinster against the Dublin Universities, and the other 97 points for his club—more than two-fifths of their aggregate of 230 points.

Fifteen points behind Robertson, who took the lead in Leinster scoring only a few weeks ago, is Tom Chamberlain, the Blackrock and Leinster wing. Chamberlain has scored 66 points for Blackrock and 19 in representative games. Most consistent scoring wing in club football is Brendan Quinn, who has "chalked" up 19 tries for the Cup-holders, Old Belvedere.

Blackrock College, who completed their third century of points last Saturday, are bracketed with N.I.F.C. at the head of the Irish clubs. Though North have the better scoring record, Blackrock have played twice as many matches, and can claim the longest winning sequence—nine games in a row. Wanderers and Old Belvedere, with 230 points each, are the next most prolific scorers.

Here is the individual honours list:—

	Tries.	D. Goals.	P. Goals.	Cons.	Total.
A. Robertson (Wanderers)	4	7	8	18	100
T. Chamberlain (Blackrock)	19	1	2	9	85
E. A. Carry (Dublin University)	5	3	11	12	84
M. Williams (Clontarf)	0	0	10	20	70
P. Crowe ('Rock)	4	1	7	14	65
F. Moran (Clontarf)	20	0	0	0	60
B. Quinn (Belvedere)	19	0	0	0	57
C. Nolan (U.C.D.)	1	0	8	11	49
K. O'Flanagan (U.C.D.)	10	0	2	3	42
N. McNelis (Belvedere)	12	0	0	0	36
G. Salmon (M'town)	3	1	6	2	35
T. Brophy ('Rock)	3	0	0	11	31
F. Cruise (W'ers)	10	0	0	0	30
T. McGowan (Bective)	0	0	3	10	29
P. Delaney (Lansdowne)	4	0	3	4	29
J. Cagney (Lansdowne)	5	0	1	5	28
M. Forde (Bective)	2	2	4	1	28
D. Thorpe (B'dere)	0	0	0	14	28
J. Ferris ('Rock)	8	1	0	0	28
B. Mullan (C'tarf)	9	0	0	0	27
V. Aird (Belvedere)	0	0	3	9	27
N. Taylor (W'ers)	9	0	0	0	27
A. Norton (St. Mary's)	0	0	6	3	24
R. Ganly (M'town)	2	0	3	4	23
L. O'Brien ('Rock)	7	0	0	1	23
S. Walsh (D.U.)	7	0	0	0	21
D. Cosgrave (Lansdowne)	3	0	2	3	21
J. Byrne (B'dere)	5	1	0	1	21
S. Polden (Wesley)	1	1	2	4	21
P. Meehan (St. Mary's)	6	0	1	0	21
K. Keenan ('Rock)	6	0	1	0	21

HOW CLUB'S HAVE FARED

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
N.I.F.C	9	7	1	1	140	38	83
Blackrock Coll.	18	15	0	3	311	103	83
Civil Service	9	7	0	2	101	32	78
Malone	13	9	1	3	134	66	73
Wanderers	18	13	0	5	230	136	72
Instonians	13	7	3	2	137	86	71
Old Belvedere	17	11	0	6	230	146	65
Dolphin	15	9	1	5	151	102	63
U.C.G.	5	3	0	2	49	38	60
Clontarf	17	10	0	7	198	130	59
Dublin Univ.	18	9	3	6	197	115	58
Collegians	15	8	1	6	160	126	57
U.C.D.	15	8	1	6	149	142	57
U.C.C.	17	8	3	5	129	132	56
Lansdowne	17	8	2	7	142	125	53
Armagh	4	2	0	2	49	30	50
Corinthians	5	2	1	2	51	44	50
Bective Rangers	16	8	0	8	130	109	50
Queen's Univ.	11	5	1	5	114	102	50
Old Wesley	17	7	3	7	113	105	50
Galwegians	5	2	1	2	42	76	50
Cork Constitution	15	7	0	8	112	156	47
St. Mary's Coll.	13	5	2	6	90	95	46
Young Munster	7	3	0	4	51	58	43
Sunday's Well	9	3	1	5	52	78	39
Palmerston	15	5	1	9	72	192	37
Bohemians	7	2	0	5	44	75	29
Monkstown	16	2	1	13	93	249	16
Garryowen	11	1	0	10	45	181	9
Loughrea	2	0	0	2	0	12	0

SCHOOLS' CUP MATCHES POSTPONED

The Schools' Cup ties, O'Connell Schools v. St. Columba's College and Blackrock College v. Terenure College, which should have been played yesterday at Donnybrook, were postponed to to-morrow.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

SCHOOLS' SENIOR CUP.

St. Andrew's v. Wesley, Donnybrook, 3 o'c.
Castleknock v. Mountjoy, Donnybrook, 4.15.

Hunting

WARD UNION HOUNDS

With two outliers reported to be in the neighbourhood, Saturday's meet of the Ward Hounds was changed to the Ward Cross roads. The stag, which had been located near Kildonan Aerodrome unfortunately had moved since morning, nor could hounds find any trace of the second one around Ballymacarney.

It was then decided to enlarge a stag on Mr. Wilkinson's land at The Larklands. Going away for Muckerstown, hounds swung sharply to the right and hunted hard through The Wooton and Mabestown. Just touching the Ashbourne road, midway between the eighth and the seventh milestone, they again bore right-handed and ran by Newtown to Irishtown. They raced, the stag in view, through Ballymacarney and across the river to The Ward, where a safe capture was effected in Mr. Hannin's farmyard after a flying thirty minutes.

THE TIPPERARY HOUNDS

Hounds scored the best hunt of the season after meeting at Laffan's Bridge on February 10th. Finding in the railway gorse, they went away very fast over Kennedy's Hill to Noan. They ran straight through the wood, and emerging at the lodge gates, only a field behind their fox, forced him through Tailor's Wood and over the big banks in Ballaghboy to High Street. Still running very fast, they went up the hill nearly to Buffarna and then swung right, across Woodhouse to Silverfort, where they checked for the first time, covering six miles in thirty minutes.

A forward cast recovered the line at Beechmount, and they ran right over the top of the Kill Hills as though for Meldrum Wood before turning left to Coleraine. The fox was now only just in front, and he was hard hunted across Curraghscarteen to Foulkstown, where he was killed dead beat on Mr. Murphy's land. This was a gruelling hunt of one hour and forty minutes, a five-mile point and fourteen miles as hounds ran over a very big line of country.

Not much was done from Garnavilla on the 12th, and on the 15th the meet was in Fethard. Scent was poor in the morning, but a fox from Spike gave a nice hunt of forty minutes later in the day. Going away to Peppardstown, he was hunted at a fair pace across Slanestown, over the river and towards Kilnockon Hill. Turning right, he crossed the Killenaule road as though for Coolmore, and then, leaving the old racecourse to his right, went over the railway to Rocklow and Rathcoole, where he was marked to ground.

T. C. V.

FINGAL HARRIERS

We had a grand day's sport from the seventh milestone meet. Scenting conditions were good when we drew The Larklands, and, finding without delay, hounds went away very fast through The Wootton and Muckrosstown, to Fleenstown, thence by Balfestown, to the old ruins in Kilrue lane, where they ran out of scent. We found again on Mr. Bates's farm, the pack running through Knockaneal, to the ninth milestone, and, crossing the Ratoath road into Killeglands, where the hare circled and ran through Baltrassna into Harlockstown, and on by "Tally-Ho" Lodge. Bearing to the left here we re-crossed Kilrue and went on to Muckrosstown, where scent fizzled out.

From the Roganstown Bridge meet a hare found in Lispopple gave a ring through Bealinstown and Grange, almost to the village of Ballyboughal, where she turned sharply and brought us back to the place of finding. We found again in Killeen, hounds hunting nicely through Cabra to the Wren's Nest lane, and eventually running out of scent in Scathernagh.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

TO-DAY.

United Hunt Club—Coolgreen, 12 noon; Ormond Hounds—Derrylahan Gate, 12 noon; Meath Hounds—Batterstown, 11.30 p.m.; Kildare Hounds—Grange Con, 11 a.m.; West Waterford Hunt—Ballinamult, 12 noon; Wicklow Harriers—Kilowen, 12 noon; Co. Longford Harriers—Terlicken Forge, 1 p.m.; Wexford Hunt—Campile, 12 noon; Waterford Hounds—Kilmacthomas, 11.30 a.m.; Scarteen Hunt—Ballinamona, 12 noon; Ballymacad Hounds—The Kennels, 12 noon; Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Farney Bridge, 12 noon; Naas Harriers—Naas Railway Station, 1 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Ward Union Hounds—Fairyhouse Bridge, 1.30 p.m.; South Co. Dublin Harriers—Point-to-Point; Bray Harriers—Powerstown Arms (Calary); Island Hounds—Ballyeanew, 12 noon; Nenagh Harriers—Point-to-Point; Bree Hounds—Cooper's Cross, 11.30 a.m. (O.T.); South Westmeath Hounds—Mt. Temple, 12 noon; Co. Limerick Hounds—Riddlestown, 12 noon; Kilkenny Hounds—Ballylinch, 12 noon; Tipperary Hounds—Camas Bridge 12 noon; Duhallow Hounds—Bannagh Cross, 12 noon; Carlow Hounds—Milford, 12 noon.

HUNT CARDS

TIPPERARY FOXHOUNDS—February—Wednesday, 19th, Camas Bridge; Saturday, 22nd, Coleman Cross; Monday, 24th, Ballynonty Village; Wednesday, 26th, New Inn. March—Saturday, 1st, Fethard; Monday, 3rd, Ballingarry Village; Thursday, 6th, Knockfoe Cross; Saturday, 8th, Ballylusky Village; Monday, 10th, Cahir. At 12 o'clock.

LIMERICK HARRIERS.—February—Thursday, 20th, Yewfort Cross (Patrickswell); Friday, 28th, Cahernarry Rectory Cross. At 12 o'clock.

BALLYMACAD HOUNDS.—Revised List—February—Tuesday, 18th, The Kennels; Saturday, 22nd, Ballymanus Cross; Tuesday, 25th, Oldcastle; Friday, 28th, Ballyfore. March—Tuesday, 4th, Patrickstown Cross; Friday, 7th, Crossdrum. At 12 o'clock (S.T.).

COUNTY LIMERICK HUNT.—Change of Meets—February—Wednesday, 19th, Riddlestown, instead of Askeaton; Saturday, 22nd, Ballingarry, instead of Friday, 21st. At 12 o'clock.

FINGAL HARRIERS.—Owing to the wet state of the country these hounds will not hunt to-day.

MEATH HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—These hounds will meet on Friday next at Trim at 12 noon.

KILKENNY HOUNDS.—Revised Hunt—February—Wednesday, 19th—Ballylinch; Friday, 21st—Windgap; Saturday, 22nd—Glenmore; Monday, 24th—Five Mile Stone; Wednesday, 26th—Kilcoran; Friday, 28th—Mullinavat West. At 12 o'c.

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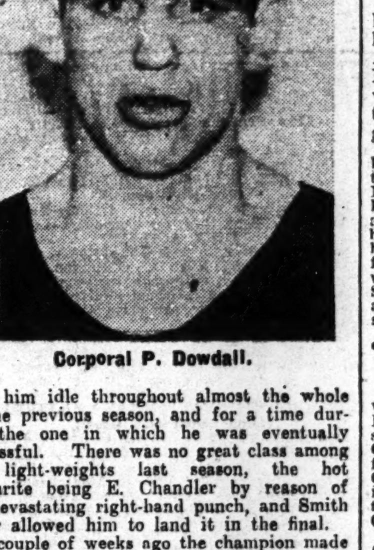
Boxing

Ernie Smith Past His Prime

(BY P. D. McWEENEY.)

THERE are all too many men who do not know when to retire from the sport which has brought them fame and honours, and this applies especially to boxing. It is an accepted fact that in professional ranks the champion who loses his crown can seldom win it back again; the same remark applies also to amateur ranks, though not quite so forcibly, but there is the added danger here that the top-class boxer who is past his best may attempt a "come-back," relying on his skill and ringcraft without getting into really proper trim.

Ernie Smith confounded the critics last year by winning the Irish light-weight title for the seventh time after an arm injury had kept him idle throughout almost the whole of the previous season, and for a time during the one in which he was eventually successful. There was no great class among the light-weights last season, the hot favourite being E. Chandler by reason of his devastating right-hand punch, and Smith never allowed him to land it in the final.



Corporal P. Dowdall.

A couple of weeks ago the champion made his first appearance of the current campaign when most people considered that he had retired, and he gave quite an impressive display in outpointing T. Kavanagh, of the Catholic Scouts, but it seemed rather obvious while watching him against Chandler last Friday, that he should not continue his second "came-back." Few amateurs can ever have possessed such skill in avoiding punishment by simply moving their heads or riding the punches, as Smith does, but his own timing of attacks is decidedly faulty, and he cannot really hit to any effect.

I still think he might outpoint Chandler, but the latter is not by any means the only factor in the light-weight division this time. Both Ingle and Dowdall will be in it for the championships, and it seems to me to be out of the question for Smith to have any hope at all against either of these two.

Dowdall Should Win

The light-weights are going to provide the real thrills of the championship meeting next month, and my choice will be Dowdall. The more he fights the better he gets, and he seems to be quite capable of taking the ring once a week and thriving on it. He is developing a much harder punch than he ever had before, and his speed and determination in attack are beginning to give him an advantage over Ingle's more orthodox methods.

If Ingle can discover his ramrod straight left again during the next couple of weeks he may regain his former superiority over the Army man, but otherwise I would plump for Dowdall. However, if Chandler can connect with his right on the jaw of either of the two European champions, the Irish title will go to the Corinthian Club.

Both Ingle and Dowdall figure on the Stadium bill for next Friday, and I must state right away that to match Kavanagh with Ingle is wrong. Kavanagh provides the same problem as the Kilkenny man, R. Kelly, did before Christmas. Both are wonderfully game and have exceptional stamina, but a succession of severe defeats must be extremely harmful in the long run. Kelly had to be rested from the weekly programmes, and in successive weeks Kavanagh has been out-fought by Ernie Smith and Dowdall. As he can absorb punishment almost endlessly, one can only visualise another severe defeat for the Scout at the hands of Ingle.

"Special Challenge"

On his recent form against Ingle, whom he hit very hard at the start, P. Glennon should give Dowdall a run for his money, while in what is somewhat grandiosely termed a "special challenge" Chandler ought to be too strong and aggressive for V. Black. The welter-weight champion, P. Gernon, has apparently recovered from his training injury, and will make his second appearance of the season, his opponent being T. McNally, of Corinthians.

There are three middle-weight bouts—C. Forde (St. Andrew's) v. R. Sullivan (Corinthians), M. Sadlier (Whitehall) v. J. Campbell (Baldonnel), and W. Davis (Corinthians) v. Private J. Ryan (Islandbridge)—and two cruiser-weights—D. Fox (Unity) v. Private M. Dwan (Islandbridge) and P. Gallagher (Garda) v. P. Devoy (St Andrew's)—to add hard hitting and action to the programme.

Badminton

IMPORTANT MATCH FOR DUBLIN

DUBLIN badminton enthusiasts will have an opportunity of seeing a really first class match next Saturday, when the Midland Branch will oppose a powerful Belfast side. Play will take place at the McIntyre Hall (entrance 21 St. Stephen's Green), and will start at 7.30 p.m. The teams will be as follows:—

Midland Branch—C. H. Maidment (capt.), A. G. Trapnell, E. L. Warren, J. S. Wilson, Miss N. Conway, Miss B. Good, Mrs. MacNaughton and Miss O. Poole.

Belfast—T. H. Boyle (capt.), J. W. and M. McGarry, T. J. Majury, Miss D. Hall, Miss I. Hall, Mrs. Swann and Miss O. Wilson.

The annual (Midland Branch) Badminton Tournament will be held at Woodbrook in the week starting Monday, March 10th, when the usual scratch and handicap events, the latter being divided into three classes, will be staged. Entries close on Saturday, March 1st, with the hon. secretary, Mr. C. H. Maidment, Prince Patrick, Dalkey. During the tournament trains will stop at Woodbrook.

THE LEAGUE TABLES

Tables to date in the Dublin and District Badminton League are as follows (number of matches played in parentheses):—

A1—Gas Company (6), 39 points; Glenageary (6), 37; Ailesbury (5), 23; St. Philips (5), 10; Rathmines (6), 3.

A2—Epworth (8), 38; Pembroke (6), 33; Beaumont (7), 29; Abbey Church (7), 19; Ailesbury 2nd (6), 17.

A3—Woodbrook (7), 31; Gas Company 2nd (6), 30; Monkstown (7), 29; Dundrum (6), 25; St. Johns (8), 21.

B1—Tally Ho (7), 43; Beaumont 2nd (7), 32; Clontarf Parish (7), 27; St. Philips 2nd (8), 26; Dublin Friends (8), 16.

B2—Gas Company 3rd (7), 38; Sandymount Recreation (7), 35; Caledonian (7), 31; Jacobs (7), 20; Harold's Cross (5), 8.

B3—Glenageary 2nd (5), 29; Rathmines Parish (3), 14; Clontarf Methodist (4), 12; Pembroke 2nd (4), 9.

B4—Clarinda (7), 39; Epworth 2nd (7), 28; Charleston (6), 23; Rathmines Y.M.C.A. (7), 22; Rathmines 2nd (5), 16.

C1—Sandford (8), 48; Epworth (Dalkey) (7), 40; Central (8), 30; Presbyterian "B" (7), 28; Kingstown (8), 5.

C2—Lucan (7), 43; Garda (7), 36; City Y.M.C.A. (6), 23; Presbyterian "C" (5), 16; St. Michan's (7), 10.

C3—St. Andrew's (8), 51; Gas Company 4th (6), 30; Abbey Church 2nd (6), 30; Clarinda 2nd (6), 13; Dundrum 2nd (7), 12.

C4—Ailesbury 3rd (7), 40; Norwood (5), 30; St. Patrick's (5), 22; Beaumont 3rd (6), 15; Tally Ho 2nd (5), 5.

D1—Dalkey (7), 37; Municipal (7), 35; Rathmines 3rd (6), 28; Gas Company 5th (6), 17; Garda 2nd (6), 11.

D2—Malahide (8), 44; Mayfield (7), 41; Rathmines Parish 2nd (6), 17; Leeson Park (7), 17; Central 2nd (6), 17.

D3—Glenayr (6), 35; St. Philip's 3rd (5), 23; Charleston 2nd (5), 20; Jacobs 2nd (4), 14; York (6), 12.

D4—Mariners' Hall (6), 32; Harding (6), 27; Father Mathew Hall (2), 10; Harold's Cross 2nd (4), 9; Fingal (2), 2.

E1—Lucan 2nd (8), 57; St. Peter's (7), 35; C.Y.M.S. (8), 31; Gas Company 6th (8), 21; City Y.M.C.A. 2nd (7), 20.

E2—Clontarf Parish 2nd (6), 34; Presbyterian "C" 2nd (7), 33; Shielmartin (7), 27; Sandford 2nd (5), 25; St. Michan's 2nd (5), 1.

E3—Ailesbury 4th (9), 53; Garda 3rd (9), 39; Epworth (Dalkey) 2nd (8), 37; Abbey Church 3rd (8), 36; Municipal 2nd (9), 30; Dundrum 3rd (9), 13.

E4—Rathmines Guild (9), 47; Adelaide (8), 41; St. Andrew's 2nd (10), 39; Epworth 3rd (7), 33; Caledonia 2nd (9), 29; Dublin Friends 2nd (9), 19.

F1—Garda 4th (11), 72; Jacobs 3rd (10), 48; Rathmines Y.M.C.A. 2nd (10), 46; Kingstown 2nd (9), 36; Presbyterian "C" 3rd (10), 24; Clontarf Methodist 2nd (8), 24; Mayfield 2nd (10), 22.

F2—Clarinda 3rd (8), 53; St. Patrick's 2nd (7), 40; Harding 2nd (8), 31; Norwood 2nd (7), 24; Gas Company 7th (7), 21; Mariners' Hall 2nd (7), 7.

F3—Glenayr 2nd (8), 56; Rathmines 4th (7), 40; Lucan 3rd (9), 33; York 2nd (6), 20; C.I.Y.M.C.A. 2nd (7), 14; Caledonia 3rd (7), 13.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

NEWLANDS—Men's foursomes:—J. V. Clery (14), T. Ward (21), J. R. Higgins (9) and F. J. Connell (10), 74½; R. Brereton (15) and G. Dobson (17), 75; R. K. Connell (6) and M. Hughes (16), 76½; A. Cullen (10) and J. Mahony (13), 76½; B. Murphy (6) and J. Murphy (18), 77.

ROYAL DUBLIN—Owing to the death of the Right Hon. Andrew Jameson, president, the links will be closed until noon to-day.

FOXROCK—Saturday next—Club mixed foursomes; entries close to-morrow; draw for partners and opponents.

HERMITAGE — Ladies' Branch—To-day: 18 holes, strokes; draws 11.0, 2.45. General meeting at 7.45.

TULLAMORE—To-day—Council meeting at 8 o'c.; full attendance requested; important business.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

Street Handicap Hurdle, Plumpton, February 22—Dangan.
River Handicap Hurdle, Nottingham—Brigadore.
All engagements—Airgead Sios (dead).

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Racing Gossip

POSSIBLE CHALLENGERS TO ST. MARTIN

Another "Red Cross" Trial at Navan This Week

By Our Racing Correspondent.

THE appearance of the weights for the Red Cross Steeplechase last Saturday morning endowed the three miles steeplechase at Leopardstown with special interest. No less than eleven of the runners are engaged in the big race on next Saturday fortnight, and as the weights generally are much the same, the running naturally was expected to give some pointers as to the chances of the various candidates. Few, however, expected that one horse would so dominate the race from start to finish as St. Martin did. He was among the leaders all the way, and along the railway side of the course the second time round began to move away from all the others. The race was as good as over then, and, though Bel et Bon and Swindon Glory, hard ridden by their jockeys, continued the pursuit, it was all to no purpose, and St. Martin won as easily as a horse could.

It was always Cecil Brabazon's estimate that this horse would develop into a "smasher," and it looks as if his opinion about him will be borne out. The question arises: Will he stay the extra mile which the Red Cross Steeplechase entails? There was nothing about his running on Saturday to suggest that he will not. He was running on in easy style after he had jumped the last fence, with the others straggling home at almost walking pace, many of them, as well, having missed several fences *en route*. If ever a horse came through a public trial for a future race satisfactorily he certainly did.

Generous Odds

In the Red Cross Steeplechase he will be galloping over the same course and fences, none of which caused him any trouble on last Saturday. A 2lb. penalty should not make any difference to him, and I think if we are to look for one to beat him it must be from among the lot that did not run at the week-end. Excuses might be made, perhaps, for Drumlargin and Workman, who had been absent from a racecourse for a considerable time, but none of the others would seem to hold any chance of tackling Miss Mathieson's horse.

It would interesting to see what odds would be offered against St. Martin if there were a call-over some time previous to the race. Such there will not be, I understand, but one leading bookmaker is bold enough to offer his own prices, and he quotes St. Martin at 5 to 1, very reasonable odds in my opinion. West Point is quoted at 10 to 1, Sir Sen, Bel et Bon, John Chinaman, Swindon Glory and Symaethis figure on the 14 to 1 mark, and, except for Ring of Gold, who is offered at 16 to 1, very enticing odds are offered against the others. In my opinion, if nothing untoward happens in the meantime, St. Martin will be at a much shorter rate of odds on the day of the race.

Two With Chances

West Point's running on Saturday was not quite satisfactory, but the distance of the race, 2½ miles, was much too short for him, and again it must be remembered that he had not had a race for over a year prior to running at Baldoyle on the previous Saturday. I quite expect him to give a far better account of himself in the Red Cross Steeplechase, but at the moment the horses that strike me as holding the best chances against St. Martin are Symaethis and Donohill. The form of Symaethis in England has been good, and Donohill we know can stay, for he won the Conyngham Cup at Punchestown, and on Saturday, in a two miles flat race, showed a good turn of speed when dead-heating with Joint Stock.

The Navan "Trial"

Further opportunity for viewing prospective candidates will be afforded on Saturday next at Navan. Knockadroleen, Workman, Astrom, West Point, John Chinaman, Sir Sen, Sterling Duke, Dalmatian, General Chiang, Hoy Lee and Hallowvein are engaged in the Ardmulchan Plate, run over a distance of three miles. This fine galloping course should suit West Point, who may encounter most trouble from Drumbilla.

It will be like old times travelling by rail to Navan. When the meeting started the general run of people went by train either to Navan Station and thence by hackney car to the course, or went on to the racecourse siding, which entails a walk of under a mile to the stands. It is well to have such means of travel to fall back upon. On Saturday a special train leaves Westland Row at 12.20, Amiens Street 12.25, reaching the siding at 1.40, giving ample time to walk leisurely to the stands before racing starts. The return special leaves the siding at 5.30.

Closing of Races

Entries close to-morrow with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin, for five races at Limerick St. Patrick's Day Meeting, and four races at Mallow March Meeting.

Louth Hunt "Off"

While it is to be regretted that the Louth Hunt Meeting at Mullacurry will not be held this year, it is quite plain that no other alternative was open to the executive. Mullacurry is one of the most ungetatable courses in Ireland, and, without a plentiful supply of petrol for motor cars, it would be impossible to carry through the meeting. One can sympathise with the local people, who looked forward to the meeting from year to year, but the fixture will come into its own again when times return to normal.

THE NEW EMERGENCY SPORT

Major Niall MacNeill finds the water splash difficult in Saturday's bicycle trial of the Irish Motor Racing Club. Lieutenant C. H. W. Manders (right) looks slightly apprehensive on a stretch of rough "going."

Motoring

"Laying Up" the Car

By HAROLD C. BROWN

THE laying up of motor vehicles is a subject that we all are taking seriously nowadays. Several correspondents have asked me questions which I have endeavoured to answer by letter, and now one suggests that I should publish an article giving hints about the precautions desirable when machines are put aside "for the duration." Such an article would, I agree, be timely.

Shortly after the outbreak of war the engineers' department of the Royal Automobile Club compiled the following recommendations for those who contemplated laying up their cars:—

The car should be thoroughly washed and polished; all the usual chassis parts lubricated, and all plated or bright parts coated with petroleum jelly. In the case of an open car, the hood should be raised. The axles should be set on blocks of wood, so that the tyres clear the floor. If the tops of the blocks are grooved the possibility of the axles slipping off will be eliminated.

Tyre pressures should be reduced to about half the normal pressure. It also is important that tyres should be stored in the dark, as the effect of light is injurious.

The Water System

SHOULD the period of storage include cold weather and the motor house not be heated, drain the water system when hot and remove the radiator cap to provide an outlet for any steam. Make certain that any plugs or taps for draining such lower points as cylinder jackets and pump are turned on and the water emptied out. In cases of engines with special alloy heads, an inhibitor may have to be used. Advice should be sought from the manufacturer (presumably from the assembler in Eire) before letting the water out.

The sparking plugs should be removed and about a teaspoonful of engine oil poured into each cylinder. The engine should then be turned by hand to distribute the oil on the cylinder walls, after which the plugs should be replaced.

The battery should be removed and left with a battery service station for proper attention.

To prevent damage by moths the upholstery should be well brushed and then sprinkled with one of the special powders available. Particular attention should be given to the upholstery at the base of the doors, also all folds; cushions, mats and any other detachable parts can be wrapped in newspaper.

Dry and Dark

THE storage place should be dry and dark, if possible, and an even temperature is desirable. Anyway, sudden changes of temperature and too close proximity to any heating appliance should be avoided.

It is advisable to drain the petrol tank.

The car doors and windows should be closed and the vehicle covered with a sheet, which should be left loose at the sides to permit an air flow around the body. The hand-brake should be released. The keys of ignition and door should be labelled and tied to the steering wheel.

The Wakefield Research Department advise the following precautions before laying up a car:—First, drain out the old oil while the engine is hot and then flush the engine twice with flushing oil, accelerating the engine in neutral for a few seconds to dislodge any solid material held in pockets. Then refill the engine with a pure mineral oil and run the engine for five minutes to circulate the new oil all round.

Batteries

FURTHER advice on batteries by the R.A.C. runs: The most satisfactory procedure to keep the battery in healthy condition is by giving it periodical freshening charges. To this end the battery should be removed and given a thorough charge up from an outside source. It should then be stored in a cool, dry place and given a thorough freshening charge, preferably once a month, but at the very least once every two months. A final freshening charge should be given just before it is put back into regular service.

Each of these freshening charges should be given at the recommended normal rate, which is approximately four amperes for a 57 ampere-hour battery, six amperes for an 85 ampere-hour battery, and *pro rata* for other sizes. The freshening charge should be kept on till the specific gravity in each cell, as read by a hydrometer, has come up to the maximum reading and has shown no rise for, say, three to five hours. The battery should be topped up with water just prior to each of these freshening charges.

Use of Service Station

WHEN the battery is first put out of commission, the precaution should be taken of thoroughly cleaning and vaselining the terminals to prevent corrosion. Few will be able to carry out this battery service at home, and the R.A.C. recommends storage in a battery service station.

A correspondent to whom I replied very briefly on the subject of batteries should study this R.A.C. advice. He was troubled about the difficulty of conveying the battery to a service station or garage; probably he could arrange with one to call for it.

It also is true that some experienced members of the motor trade of my acquaintance are not taking anything like the trouble recommended by the R.A.C. They are leaving their batteries in their cars, in the hope, no doubt, that the period of immobilisation will not be long. I had the idea that every fortnight or so I would start the engine and run my car up and down the garden path to keep it in working order; but I have yet to discover if there will be sufficient petrol for that plan, and I am afraid that, if we are in for a very long war, the wisest thing would be the complete laying-up outlined.

SUBSTITUTES FOR PETROL

TO BE DISCUSSED BY DUBLIN ENGINEERS

A meeting of the Engineers' Association will be held in the Dolphin Hotel, Essex street, Dublin, on Thursday, 20th instant, at 7.30 p.m., when the subject of substitutes for the petrol-driven engine in the present emergency will be discussed. Expert opinion will be submitted in the form of short lectures, and the following will come up for discussion:—Producer-gas driven vehicles, town-gas driven vehicles, battery-driven vehicles, and steam-driven vehicles. Representatives of the motor industry and all other interested bodies are being invited to attend and submit their views.

Squash Rackets

McVeagh's Bid for Irish Title

The Irish Championship Meeting commenced yesterday at Fitzwilliam. In the only first round match of the championship P. D. McWeeney, one of the four seeded players—the other three are T. G. McVeagh, W. A. Sandys, and C. A. Kemp—defeated N. D. Good in four games. Good was keeping a rather more consistent length throughout a long first set but in the next three McWeeney's drops, combined with an improved length, gave him a comfortable victory.

McVeagh, a three times winner of this event, made his first appearance in it since 1937, and showed all his old steadiness and soundness in beating C. Chamney, of Triflers, for the loss of two points. Chamney is inexperienced, and made a lot of errors off return of service, but he ran very hard at times, and deserved more points than he won.

An excellent performance was that of R. K. Pilkington in beating the Trinity man, J. V. Luce, in four games. Pilkington had a far wider range of shots than his opponent, and all Luce's retrieving was of no avail. Results:—

IRISH CHAMPIONSHIP—First Round.

P. D. McWeeney beat N. D. Good—8-10, 9-4, 9-2, 9-3.

Second Round.

T. G. McVeagh beat C. Chamney—9-0, 9-2, 9-0.
R. K. Pilkington beat J. V. Luce—9-4, 9-3, 7-9, 9-6.

MEN'S HANDICAP—CLASS A—First Round.

R. B. Pringle (.3) beat T. J. O'Driscoll (.5)—8-10, 9-2, 5-9, 9-3, 9-0.

WOMEN'S HANDICAP—CLASS B—First Round.

Miss B. Stokes (1 plus 4) beat Miss P. O'Riordan (1 plus 2)—9-1, 9-2.
Miss I. Harding (1) w.o., Miss A. Stephens (scr.) scr.

Second Round.

Miss J. Myerscough (scr.) beat Miss I. Harding (1)—10-8, 9-7.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

12. 0—Miss N. Ryan v. Mrs. P. Coleman.
12.30—Miss N. Smiles v. Miss Hamilton.
1.15—Miss A. Stokes v. Miss D. Moriarty.
1.30—Miss E. Devlin v. Miss B. Graham.
2. 0—Miss M. Sweetman v. Miss V. McClelland.
2.30—Mrs. D. George v. Miss P. Mooney.
3. 0—Miss V. Crosdaile v. Mrs. W. Hamilton.
3.30—Miss D. Welply v. Mrs. A. P. McWeeney.
4. 0—S. Douglas v. C. Berger.
4.30—J. V. Luce v. C. Chamney.
5. 0—R. K. Pilkington v. C. M. Hind.
5.30—G. M. Greene v. R. N. Hogan.
6. 0—W. Sandys v. G. B. M. Yeates (C.).
6.30—K. O'B. Kenney v. J. W. Tuckey.
7. 0—A. P. McWeeney v. J. J. Fitzsimmons.
7.30—L. F. Orr v. S. E. Law.
8. 0—M. Crowe v. J. H. Douglas.
8.30—J. C. Anderson v. M. A. J. O'Reilly.

Association Football

NO EASY PASSAGES IN CUP SECOND ROUND

THERE was a tendency to assume that the passage of Cork United and Waterford into the semi-finals of the F.A.I. Cup might be taken for granted, but the performances of Drumcondra and Limerick on Sunday last must have shaken the complacency of the Southern Clubs' supporters. Cork United, of course, with nine successive wins to their credit and the advantage of being at home in the Cup second round, must be strongly fancied to beat Drumcondra, but the latter have only to play as they did on Sunday last to upset Cork's prospects of bringing off a League and Cup "double."

Drumcondra expect a big crowd of their supporters to make the trip to Cork on March 2nd. They have arranged an excursion train which will leave Kingsbridge at 10 a.m., returning from Cork at 7 p.m.

Limerick had been going so badly in the League that they were not thought to have much chance against Waterford. On Sunday's form, however, they might easily beat Waterford. They were a better team than St. James's Gate, with plenty of enterprise in attack, whereas Waterford, against Drumcondra were not at all impressive. A week previously Waterford were lucky to beat Bohemians in the Cup first round, and a week before that they were only able to draw with Shelbourne at Waterford. Limerick will be at home in the Cup match and that will be an additional incentive to them to win.

Shelbourne were a better team than Bohemians, although they only drew on Saturday, and Dundalk are going to have to fight hard to reach the semi-final. The remaining match between Shamrock Rovers and Brideville is as uncertain as Brideville themselves, and that means a lot.

DANGEROUS PLAY

The subject of dangerous play continues to be discussed virtually every time that "soccer" followers gather together, and it is no asset to the game that one player's name now is popularly prefaced with the nickname "Killer." Two players in particular are mentioned in such discussions, but one of them seems to have modified in the form of attack very considerably in recent weeks. Possibly a word in season was spoken by his club and the club of the other player might be advised to do their piece of speaking.

Dangerous play is an offence against the rules of football, even if technically no foul is otherwise observable. The remedy for it is a concern of the clubs and if they cannot eliminate it, then referees may have to be urged to deal drastically with offenders.

MR. R. H. KYLE DEAD

Mr. Robert H. Kyle, who for 25 years held the post of secretary-manager to Sunderland F.C., died in hospital at Sunderland yesterday. In his early days Bob Kyle played as a goalkeeper for Belfast Celtic, and was also honorary secretary to that club when appointed to the managership of Sunderland in 1905.

Hockey

Week's Cup Fixtures

To-day—Schools' Senior Cup—Avoca v. Mountjoy, Londonbridge road, 3.15 (W. Chiddick and G. V. S. Ireland).

To-morrow—Irish Senior Cup replay—Pembroke Wanderers v. Y.M.C.A., Serpentine avenue, 4.30 (W. Chiddick and H. W. Cooper).

Thursday—Schools' Cups at Imperials' ground, Crumlin. Senior—Dundalk v. St. Columba's, 3.0 (P. O'Driscoll and G. V. S. Ireland). Junior—Kilkenny v. Carrickmacross, 2.30 (H. H. Peterson and C. Bruton). Minor—King's Hospital v. St. Patrick's, 3.45 (A. G. Coates and W. C. Leopold).

Saturday—Mills' Cup—Monkstown v. Y.M.C.A. or Pembroke Wanderers v. Portrane. Railway Cup—Railway Union 2nd v. Pembroke Wanderers 2nd; Bray Rovers v. Clonliffe-Fingal 2nd. Minor Cup—Dalkey 3rd v. Cartonians; Y.M.C.A. 4th v. Railway Union 4th.

RACING MAY BE HELD AT NEWBURY THIS YEAR

Although the official list of preliminary flat race fixtures has not yet been released for publication, there is every possibility that the Newbury racecourse will be available this season.

Rugby Football

Robertson's Hundred Points

TWO penalty goals against Bective on Saturday enabled A. B. Robertson, Wanderers' captain and out-half, to complete his century of points for the season. His total is made up of 4 tries, 8 penalty goals, 18 "converts," and 7 dropped goals. He scored one try for the Rest of Leinster against the Dublin Universities, and the other 97 points for his club—more than two-fifths of their aggregate of 230 points.

Fifteen points behind Robertson, who took the lead in Leinster scoring only a few weeks ago, is Tom Chamberlain, the Blackrock and Leinster wing. Chamberlain has scored, 66 points for Blackrock and 19 in representative games. Most consistent scoring wing in club football is Brendan Quinn, who has "chalked" up 19 tries for the Cup-holders, Old Belvedere.

Blackrock College, who completed their third century of points last Saturday, are bracketed with N.I.F.C. at the head of the Irish clubs. Though North have the better scoring record, Blackrock have played twice as many matches, and can claim the longest winning sequence—nine games in a row. Wanderers and Old Belvedere, with 230 points each, are the next most prolific scorers.

Here is the individual honours list:—

	Tries.	D. Goals.	P. Goals.	Cons.	Total.
A. Robertson (Wanderers)	4	7	8	18	100
T. Chamberlain (Blackrock)	19	1	2	9	85
E. A. Carry (Dublin University)	5	3	11	12	84
M. Williams (Clontarf)	0	0	10	20	70
P. Crowe ('Rock)	4	1	7	14	65
F. Moran (Clontarf)	20	0	0	0	60
B. Quinn (Belvedere)	19	0	0	0	57
C. Nolan (U.C.D.)	1	0	8	11	49
K. O'Flanagan (U.C.D.)	10	0	2	3	42
N. McNelis (Belvedere)	12	0	0	0	36
G. Salmon (M'town)	3	1	6	2	35
T. Brophy ('Rock)	3	0	0	11	31
F. Cruise (W'ers)	10	0	0	0	30
T. McGowan (Bective)	0	0	3	10	29
P. Delaney (Lansdowne)	4	0	3	4	29
J. Cagney (Lansdowne)	5	0	1	5	28
M. Forde (Bective)	2	2	4	1	28
D. Thorpe (B'dere)	0	0	0	14	28
J. Ferris ('Rock)	8	1	0	0	28
B. Mullan (C'tarf)	9	0	0	0	27
V. Aird (Belvedere)	0	0	3	9	27
N. Taylor (W'ers)	9	0	0	0	27
A. Norton (St. Mary's)	0	0	6	3	24
R. Ganly (M'town)	2	0	3	4	23
L. O'Brien ('Rock)	7	0	0	1	23
S. Walsh (D.U.)	7	0	0	0	21
D. Cosgrave (Lansdowne)	3	0	2	3	21
J. Byrne (B'dere)	5	1	0	1	21
S. Polden (Wesley)	1	1	2	4	21
P. Meehan (St. Mary's)	6	0	1	0	21
K. Keenan ('Rock)	6	0	1	0	21

HOW CLUB'S HAVE FARED

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
N.I.F.C.	9	7	1	1	140	38	83
Blackrock Coll.	18	15	0	3	311	103	83
Civil Service	9	7	0	2	101	32	78
Malone	13	9	1	3	134	66	73
Wanderers	18	13	0	5	230	136	72
Instonians	13	7	3	2	137	86	71
Old Belvedere	17	11	0	6	230	146	65
Dolphin	15	9	1	5	151	102	63
U.C.G.	5	3	0	2	49	38	60
Clontarf	17	10	0	7	198	130	59
Dublin Univ.	18	9	3	6	197	118	58
Collegians	15	8	1	6	160	126	57
U.C.D.	15	8	1	6	149	142	57
U.C.C.	17	8	3	6	129	132	56
Lansdowne	17	8	2	7	142	125	53
Armagh	4	2	0	2	49	30	50
Corinthians	5	2	1	2	51	44	50
Bective Rangers	16	8	0	8	130	109	50
Queen's Univ.	11	5	1	5	114	102	50
Old Wesley	17	7	3	7	113	105	50
Galwegians	5	2	1	2	42	76	50
Cork Constitution	15	7	0	8	112	156	47
St. Mary's Coll.	13	5	2	6	90	95	46
Young Munster	7	3	0	4	51	68	43
Sunday's Well	9	3	1	5	52	78	39
Palmerston	15	5	1	9	72	192	37
Bohemians	7	2	0	5	44	75	29
Monkstown	16	2	1	13	93	249	16
Garryowen	11	1	0	10	45	181	9
Loughrea	2	0	0	2	0	12	0

SCHOOLS' CUP MATCHES POSTPONED

The Schools' Cup ties, O'Connell Schools v. St. Columba's College and Blackrock College v. Terenure College, which should have been played yesterday at Donnybrook, were postponed to to-morrow.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

SCHOOLS' SENIOR CUP.

St. Andrew's v. Wesley, Donnybrook, 3 o'c.
Castleknock v. Mountjoy, Donnybrook, 4.15.

Hunting

WARD UNION HOUNDS

With two cullers reported to be in the neighbourhood, Saturday's meet of the Ward Hounds was changed to the Ward Cross roads. The stag, which had been located near Kildonan Aerodrome unfortunately had moved since morning, nor could hounds find any trace of the second one around Ballymacarney.

It was then decided to enlarge a stag on Mr. Wilkinson's land at The Larklands. Going away for Muckerstown, hounds swung sharply to the right and hunted hard through the Wooton and Mabestown. Just touching the Ashbourne road, midway between the eighth and the seventh milestone, they again bore right-handed and ran by Newtown to Irishtown. They raced, the stag in view, through Ballymacarney and across the river to The Ward, where a safe capture was effected in Mr. Hannin's farmyard after a flying thirty minutes.

THE TIPPERARY HOUNDS

Hounds scored the best hunt of the season after meeting at Laffan's Bridge on February 10th. Finding in the railway gorse, they went away very fast over Kennedy's Hill to Noan. They ran straight through the wood, and emerging at the lodge gates, only a field behind their fox, forced him through Tailor's Wood and over the big banks in Ballaghboy to High Street. Still running very fast, they went up the hill nearly to Buffarna and then swung right, across Woodhouse to Silverfort, where they checked for the first time, covering six miles in thirty minutes.

A forward cast recovered the line at Beechmount, and they ran right over the top of the Kill Hills as though for Meldrum Wood before turning left to Coleraine. The fox was now only just in front, and he was hard hunted across Curraghscarteen to Foulkstown, where he was killed dead beat on Mr. Murphy's land. This was a gruelling hunt of one hour and forty minutes, a five-mile point and fourteen miles as hounds ran over a very big line of country.

Not much was done from Garnavilla on the 12th, and on the 15th the meet was in Fethard. Scent was poor in the morning, but a fox from Spike gave a nice hunt of forty minutes later in the day. Going away to Peppardstown, he was hunted at a fair pace across Slanestown, over the river and towards Kilnockon Hill. Turning right, he crossed the Killenaule road as though for Coolmore, and then, leaving the old racecourse to his right, went over the railway to Rocklow and Rathcoole, where he was marked to ground. T. C. V.

FINGAL HARRIERS

We had a grand day's sport from the seventh milestone meet. Scenting conditions were good when we drew The Larklands, and, finding without delay, hounds went away very fast through The Wootton and Muckrosstown, to Fleenstown, thence by Baltestown, to the old ruins in Kilrue lane, where they ran out of scent. We found again on Mr. Bates's farm, the pack running through Knockaneal, to the ninth milestone, and, crossing the Ratoath road into Killegiands, where the hare circled and ran through Baltrasna into Harlockstown, and on by "Tally-Ho" Lodge. Bearing to the left here we re-crossed Kilrue and went on to Muckrosstown, where scent fizzled out.

From the Roganstown Bridge meet a hare found in Lispopple gave a ring through Bealinstown and Grange, almost to the village of Ballyboughal, where she turned sharply and brought us back to the place of finding. We found again in Killeen, hounds hunting nicely through Cabra to the Wren's Nest lane, and eventually running out of scent in Scathernagh.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

TO-DAY.

United Hunt Club—Coolgreen, 12 noon; Ormond Hounds—Derrylahan Gate, 12 noon; Meath Hounds—Batterstown, 11.30 p.m.; Kildare Hounds—Grange Con, 11 a.m.; West Waterford Hunt—Ballinamult, 12 noon; Wicklow Harriers—Kilowen, 12 noon; Co. Longford Harriers—Terlicken Forge, 1 p.m.; Wexford Hunt—Camplia 12 noon; Waterford Hounds—Kilmacthomas, 11.30 a.m.; Scarteen Hunt—Ballinamona, 12 noon; Ballymacad Hounds—The Kennels, 12 noon; Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Farney Bridge, 12 noon; Naas Harriers—Naas Railway Station, 1 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Ward Union Hounds—Fairyhouse Bridge, 1.30 p.m.; South Co. Dublin Harriers—Point-to-Point; Bray Harriers—Powerstown Arms (Calary); Island Hounds—Ballycanew, 12 noon; Nenagh Harriers—Point-to-Point; Bree Hounds—Cooper's Cross, 11.30 a.m. (O.T.); South Westmeath Hounds—Mt. Temple, 12 noon; Co. Limerick Hounds—Riddlestown, 12 noon; Kilkenny Hounds—Ballylinch, 12 noon; Tipperary Hounds—Camas Bridge, 12 noon; Duhallow Hounds—Bannagh Cross, 12 noon; Carlow Hounds—Milford, 12 noon.

HUNT CARDS

TIPPERARY FOXHOUNDS.—February—Wednesday, 19th, Camas Bridge; Saturday, 22nd, Coleman Cross; Monday, 24th, Ballynonty Village; Wednesday, 26th, New Inn. March—Saturday, 1st, Fethard; Monday, 3rd, Ballingarry Village; Thursday, 6th, Knocktoe Cross; Saturday, 8th, Ballylusky Village; Monday, 10th, Cahir. At 12 o'clock.

LIMERICK HARRIERS.—February—Thursday, 20th, Yewfort Cross (Patrickswell); Friday, 28th, Cahernarry Rectory Cross. At 12 o'clock.

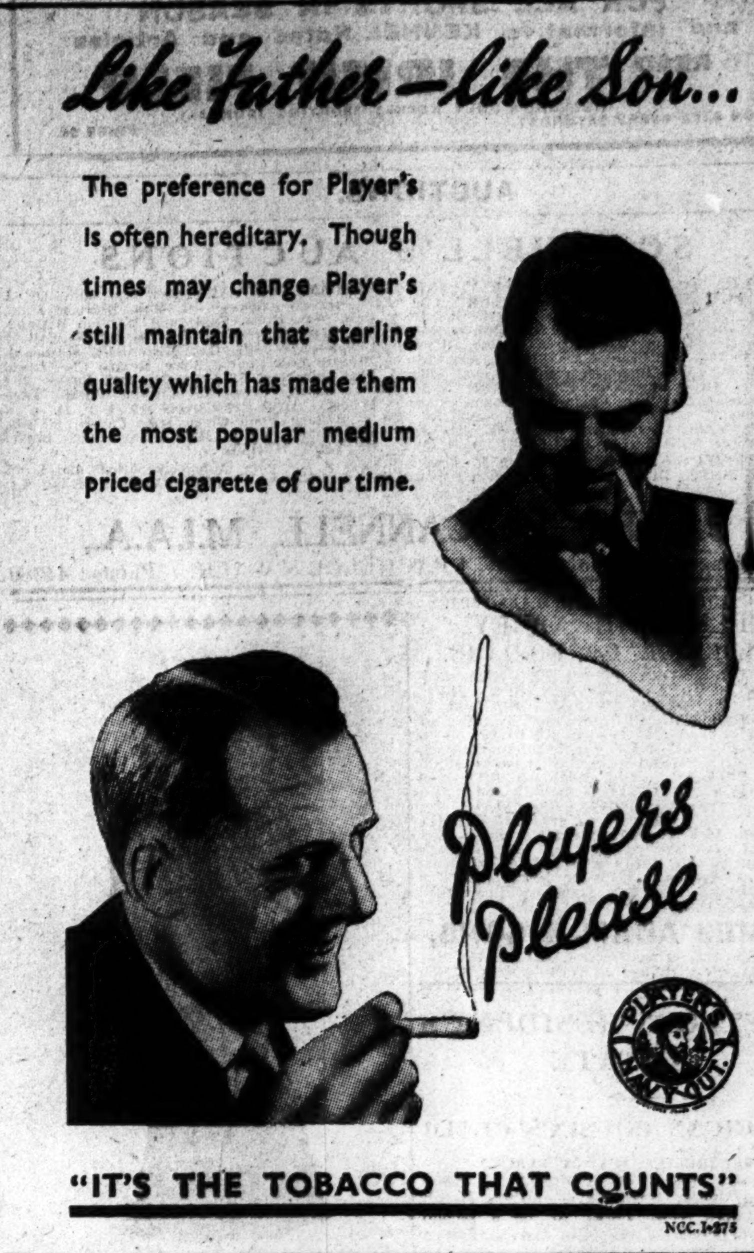
BALLYMACAD HOUNDS.—Revised List—February—Tuesday, 18th, The Kennels; Saturday, 22nd, Ballymanus Cross; Tuesday, 25th, Oldcastle; Friday, 28th, Ballyfore. March—Tuesday, 4th, Patrickstown Cross; Friday, 7th, Crossdrum. At 12 o'clock (S.T.).

COUNTY LIMERICK HUNT.—Change of Meets—February—Wednesday, 19th, Riddlestown, instead of Askeaton; Saturday, 22nd, Ballingarry, instead of Friday, 21st. At 12 o'clock.

FINGAL HARRIERS.—Owing to the wet state of the country these hounds will not hunt to-day.

MEATH HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—These hounds will meet on Friday next at Trim at 12 noon.

KILKENNY HOUNDS.—Revised Hunt—February—Wednesday, 19th—Ballylinch; Friday, 21st—Windgap; Saturday, 22nd—Glenmore; Monday, 24th—Five Mile Stone; Wednesday, 26th—Kilcoran; Friday, 28th—Mullinavat West. At 12 o'c.



Boxing

Ernie Smith Past His Prime

(BY P. D. McWEENEY.)

THERE are all too many men who do not know when to retire from the sport which has brought them fame and honours, and this applies especially to boxing. It is an accepted fact that in professional ranks the champion who loses his crown can seldom win it back again; the same remark applies also to amateur ranks, though not quite so forcibly, but there is the added danger here that the top-class boxer who is past his best may attempt a "come-back," relying on his skill and ringcraft without getting into really proper trim.

Ernie Smith confounded the critics last year by winning the Irish light-weight title for the seventh time after an arm injury had kept him idle throughout almost the whole of the previous season, and for a time during the one in which he was eventually successful. There was no great class among the light-weights last season, the hot favourite being E. Chandler by reason of his devastating right-hand punch, and Smith never allowed him to land it in the final.

A couple of weeks ago the champion made his first appearance of the current campaign when most people considered that he had retired, and he gave quite an impressive display in outpointing T. Kavanagh, of the Catholic Scouts, but it seemed rather obvious while watching him against Chandler last Friday, that he should not continue his second "come-back." Few amateurs can ever have possessed such skill in avoiding punishment by simply moving their heads or riding the punches, as Smith does, but his own timing of attacks is decidedly faulty, and he cannot really hit to any effect.

I still think he might outpoint Chandler, but the latter is not by any means the only factor in the light-weight division this time. Both Ingle and Dowdall will be in it for the championships, and it seems to me to be out of the question for Smith to have any hope at all against either of these two.

Corporal P. Dowdall.

Dowdall Should Win

The light-weights are going to provide the real thrills of the championship meeting next month, and my choice will be Dowdall. The more he fights the better he gets, and he seems to be quite capable of taking the ring once a week and thriving on it. He is developing a much harder punch than he ever had before, and his speed and determination in attack are beginning to give him an advantage over Ingle's more orthodox methods.

If Ingle can discover his ramrod straight left again during the next couple of weeks he may regain his former superiority over the Army man, but otherwise I would plump for Dowdall. However, if Chandler can connect with his right on the jaw of either of the two European champions, the Irish title will go to the Corinthian Club.

Both Ingle and Dowdall figure on the Stadium bill for next Friday, and I must state right away that to match Kavanagh with Ingle is wrong. Kavanagh provides the same problem as the Kilkenny man, R. Kelly, did before Christmas. Both are wonderfully game and have exceptional stamina, but a succession of severe defeats must be extremely harmful in the long run. Kelly had to be rested from the weekly programmes, and in successive weeks Kavanagh has been out-fought by Ernie Smith and Dowdall. As he can absorb punishment almost endlessly, one can only visualise another severe defeat for the Scout at the hands of Ingle.

"Special Challenge"

On his recent form against Ingle, whom he hit very hard at the start, P. Glennon should give Dowdall a run for his money, while in what is somewhat grandiosely termed a "special challenge" Chandler ought to be too strong and aggressive for V. Black. The welter-weight champion, P. Gernon, has apparently recovered from his training injury, and will make his second appearance of the season, his opponent being T. McNally, of Corinthians.

There are three middle-weight bouts—C. Forde (St. Andrew's) v. R. Sullivan (Corinthians), M. Sadlier (Whitehall) v. J. Campbell (Baldonnel), and W. Davis (Corinthians) v. Private J. Ryan (Islandbridge)—and two cruiser-weights—D. Fox (Unity) v. Private M. Dwan (Islandbridge) and P. Gallagher (Garda) v. P. Devoy (St Andrew's)—to add hard hitting and action to the programme.

Badminton

IMPORTANT MATCH FOR DUBLIN

DUBLIN badminton enthusiasts will have an opportunity of seeing a really first class match next Saturday, when the Midland Branch will oppose a powerful Belfast side. Play will take place at the McIntyre Hall (entrance 21 St. Stephen's Green), and will start at 7.30 p.m. The teams will be as follows:—

Midland Branch—C. H. Maidment (capt.), A. G. Trapnell, E. L. Warren, J. S. Wilson, Miss N. Conway, Miss B. Good, Mrs. MacNaughton and Miss O. Poole.

Belfast—T. H. Boyle (capt.), J. W. and M. McGarry, T. J. Majury, Miss D. Hall, Miss I. Hall, Mrs. Swann and Miss O. Wilson.

The annual (Midland Branch) Badminton Tournament will be held at Woodbrook in the week starting Monday, March 10th, when the usual scratch and handicap events, the latter being divided into three classes, will be staged. Entries close on Saturday, March 1st, with the hon. secretary, Mr. C. H. Maidment, Prince Patrick, Dalkey. During the tournament trains will stop at Woodbrook.

THE LEAGUE TABLES

Tables to date in the Dublin and District Badminton League are as follows (number of matches played in parentheses):—

A1—Gas Company (6), 39 points; Glenageary (6), 37; Ailesbury (5), 23; St. Philips (5), 10; Rathmines (6), 3.

A2—Epworth (8), 38; Pembroke (6), 33; Beaumont (7), 29; Abbey Church (7), 19; Ailesbury 2nd (6), 17.

A3—Woodbrook (7), 31; Gas Company 2nd (6), 30; Monkstown (7), 29; Dundrum (6), 25; St. Johns (8), 21.

B1—Tally Ho (7), 43; Beaumont 2nd (7), 32; Clontarf Parish (7), 27; St. Philips 2nd (8), 26; Dublin Friends (8), 16.

B2—Gas Company 3rd (7), 38; Sandymount Recreation (7), 35; Caledonian (7), 31; Jacobs (7), 20; Harold's Cross (5), 8.

B3—Glenageary 2nd (5), 29; Rathmines Parish (3), 14; Clontarf Methodist (4), 12; Pembroke 2nd (4), 9.

B4—Clarinda (7), 39; Epworth 2nd (7), 28; Charleston (6), 23; Rathmines Y.M.C.A. (7), 22; Rathmines 2nd (5), 16.

C1—Sandford (8), 48; Epworth (Dalkey) (7), 40; Central (8), 30; Presbyterian "B" (7), 28; Kingstown (8), 5.

C2—Lucan (7), 43; Garda (7), 36; City Y.M.C.A. (6), 23; Presbyterian "C" (5), 16; St. Michan's (7), 10.

C3—St. Andrew's (8), 51; Gas Company 4th (6), 30; Abbey Church 2nd (6), 30; Clarinda 2nd (6), 13; Dundrum 2nd (7), 12.

C4—Ailesbury 3rd (7), 40; Norwood (5), 30; St. Patrick's (5), 22; Beaumont 3rd (6), 15; Tally Ho 2nd (5), 5.

D1—Dalkey (7), 37; Municipal (7), 35; Rathmines 3rd (6), 28; Gas Company 5th (6), 17; Garda 2nd (6), 11.

D2—Malahide (8), 44; Mayfield (7), 41; Rathmines Parish 2nd (6), 17; Leeson Park (7), 17; Central 2nd (6), 17.

D3—Glenayr (6), 35; St. Philip's 3rd (5), 23; Charleston 2nd (5), 20; Jacobs 2nd (4), 14; York (6), 12.

D4—Mariners' Hall (6), 32; Harding (6), 27; Father Mathew Hall (2), 10; Harold's Cross 2nd (4), 9; Fingal (2), 2.

E1—Lucan 2nd (8), 57; St. Peter's (7), 35; C.Y.M.S. (8), 31; Gas Company 6th (8), 21; City Y.M.C.A. 2nd (7), 20.

E2—Clontarf Parish 2nd (6), 34; Presbyterian "C" 2nd (7), 33; Shielmartin (7), 27; Sandford 2nd (5), 25; St. Michan's 2nd (5), 1.

E3—Ailesbury 4th (9), 53; Garda 3rd (9), 39; Epworth (Dalkey) 2nd (8), 37; Abbey Church 3rd (8), 36; Municipal 2nd (9), 30; Dundrum 3rd (9), 13.

E4—Rathmines Guild (9), 47; Adelaide (8), 41; St. Andrew's 2nd (10), 39; Epworth 3rd (7), 33; Caledonia 2nd (9), 29; Dublin Friends 2nd (9), 19.

F1—Garda 4th (11), 72; Jacobs 3rd (10), 48; Rathmines Y.M.C.A. 2nd (10), 46; Kingstown 2nd (9), 36; Presbyterian "C" 3rd (10), 24; Clontarf Methodist 2nd (8), 24; Mayfield 2nd (10), 22.

F2—Clarinda 3rd (8), 53; St. Patrick's 2nd (7), 40; Harding 2nd (8), 31; Norwood 2nd (7), 24; Gas Company 7th (7), 21; Mariners' Hall 2nd (7), 7.

F3—Glenayr 2nd (8), 56; Rathmines 4th (7), 40; Lucan 3rd (9), 33; York 2nd (6), 20; C.I.Y.M.C.A. 2nd (7), 14; Caledonia 3rd (7), 13.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

NEWLANDS—Men's foursomes:—J. V. Clery (18), T. Ward (21), J. R. Higgins (9) and F. J. Connell (10), 74½; R. Brereton (15) and G. Dobson (17), 75; R. K. Connell (6) and M. Hughes (16), 76½; A. Cullen (10) and J. Mahony (13), 76½; B. Murphy (6) and J. Murphy (18), 77.

ROYAL DUBLIN—Owing to the death of the Right Hon. Andrew Jameson, president, the links will be closed until noon to-day.

FOXROCK—Saturday next—Club mixed foursomes; entries close to-morrow; draw for partners and opponents.

HERMITAGE — Ladies' Branch—To-day: 18 holes, strokes; draws 11.0, 2.45. General meeting at 7.45.

TULLAMORE—To-day—Council meeting at 8 o'c.; full attendance requested; important business.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

Street Handicap Hurdle, Plumpton, February 22—Dangan.
River Handicap Hurdle, Nottingham—Brigadora.
All engagements—Airgead Sios (dead).

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MALLOW RACES,

WEDNESDAY, 12th MARCH.

ENTRIES CLOSE TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 19th FEBRUARY,

With Mr. F. H. CLARKE, 9 HUME STREET DUBLIN, C.3.

—(Advt.)

Southwell Results

1.0—STOKE HANDICAP HURDLE of £82. 2½ m.
Mr. Stuart May's b. g. MIRANO, by Miracle—Fridoline, a, 9-13 .... C. Taylor 1
Capt. J. Norris's PORTPATRICK, a, 10-10 .... T. Isaac 2
Mr. A. Francis's PRAXITELES, a, 11-1 .... K. Piggott 3

Also ran:—Irish Duke (E. Foley), 4; Joyeux Hector (N. Sawers), 5; Peace Disturber (C. Soares), 6; Gingko (R. Smyth), 7; Knight of Monaster (F. Gurney), 8; Agleam (T. Carey). Philadelphe (Mr W. R. Bissill), Great Barton (P. Lay), Mrs. Grundy (E. C. Brown), Strome Ferry (W. Drinkwater), Easter Rush (D. Jones), last. (Winner trained by T. R. Leader.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Gingko, 11 to 2 Portpatrick, 6 to 1 Praxiteles, 13 to 2 Joyeux Hector, 15 to 2 Agleam, 8 to 1 MIRANO, 10 to 1 Peace Disturber, 20 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 16/3; places, 4/6, 2/9, 5/6.

Won by 30l.; 2l. Agleam, Great Barton, and Strome Ferry were pulled up. Time—5 mins. 43 2-5 secs.

1.30 — BALDERTON OPTIONAL SELLING HURDLE of £82. 2 m.
Mr. H. Brueton's ch. m. AFRICAN SISTER, by Prester John—Melon, a, 11-4 .... K. Piggott 1
Mr. J. Ismay's FIERY KNIGHT, 6, 10-12 .... Mr. L. Vick 2
Mr. D. G. Marshall's NOBLE KING, a, 9-9 .... T. Skevington 3

Also ran:—Blue Pearl II. (C. Mitchell), 4; Albion (Mr. P. Vaux), 5; Pipe Major (A. Goodwill), 6; Galadale (T. Isaac), 7; Glucose (W. Drinkwater), Capsolin (W. Hollick), Dardanus (Mr. S. Midgley), Calydon II. (W. Parker), Shelton (G. Wilson), last. (Winner trained by C. Piggott.)

Betting—11 to 10 on AFRICAN SISTER, 5 to 2 agst. Fiery Knight, 8 to 1 Shelton, 100 to 8 Noble King, 100 to 7 each Capsolin and Blue Pearl II., 25 to 1 Calydon II., 33 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 8/9; places, 3/6, 3/3, 7/9.

Won by a head; 4l. Calydon II. fell. Time—4 mins. 29 4-5 secs.

2.0—DOVE MAIDEN HURDLE of £82. 2 m.
Miss D. Paget's b. c. ANARCHIST, by Taj Ud Din—Fontaine Francaise, 4, 10-5 K. Piggott 1
Capt. P. D. Rawlins's FERMETE, 5, 10-10 .... Capt. P. Rawlins 2
Mr. M. A. Hedley's LISTOR, 6, 11-5 .... G. Wilson 3

Also ran:—Bentworth (E. Taylor), 4; Chrysolite (W. Redmond), 5; Tamworth (W. Stephenson), 6; Proud Servant (Mr. S. H. Midgley), 7; Arlington Lass (J. Millar), 8; Right Saint (R. Young), St. Swithin (Mr. P. Vaux), Revelte (Mr. A. H. Prichard), King of Thrace (D. Jones), Rompaway (Capt. J. Hislop), Sugarcane (J. Wanless), Old Chums (J. Ward), Dark Pelette (W. Hollick), Dol Gelynen (F. Gurney), Allegiance (W. Parvin), last; l'Aigoual (R. Smyth), disq. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Listor, 4 to 1 l'Aigoual, 9 to 2 ANARCHIST, 6 to 1 Tamworth, 100 to 8 Fermete, 100 to 7 Dark Pelette, 20 to 1 Bentworth, 33 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 12/9; places, 4/-, 5/3, 2/9.

Won by 12l.; 6l. Right Saint fell. l'Aigoual finished third, but was disqualified. Time—4 mins. 31 1-5 secs.

2.30 — LINGHAM SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £82. 2 m.
Mr. C. Nicholson's b. h. PRIME, by Prince Galahad—Convallaria, a, 10-12 .... Capt. J. Hislop 1
Mrs. J. Dawson's TICKLE, a, 10-0 .... J. Millar 2
Mr. A. H. Brain's CELTIC ROVER, a, 11-13 .... G. Wilson 3

Also ran:—Santlose (F. Gurney), last and only other to finish; Loyal Prince (P. Lay), Ballyfox (D. Jones), Galway Bay (T. Rimell), And How (J. Knott), Rough Rider (W. Hollick), Rochester Cottage (A. Goodwill), Hopyard (H. Nicholson), Abou (Capt. P. Rawlins). (Winner trained privately.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Hopyard, 5 to 1 each PRIME and Galway Bay 6 to 1 each Celtic Rover and Santlose, 100 to 6 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 10/-; places, 3/6, 22/-, 4/6.

Won by 12l.; 8l. Ballyfox, Galway Bay, Rochester Cottage and Abou fell. Loyal Prince, And How, Rough Rider and Hopyard were pulled up. Time—4 mins. 53 3-5 secs.

There was no bid for the winner.

3.0—CLIFTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £82. 3 m.
Mr. K. Cameron's b. g. SCHUBERT, by Lightning Artist—Wild Music, a, 11-7 ... G. Wilson 1
Sir Westrow Hulse's THE TOP, a, 11-10 .... Gurney 2
Mr. J. B. Smith's ALDEANO, a, 10-11 .... Mr. J. R. Smith 3

Also ran:—Le Tition III. (D. Jones), Santick (P. Lay), Goldscleugh (Mr. Lillingston), Double Royal (W. Hollick), Ingrannes (W. Drinkwater), Don Cossack (Mr. W. H. Bissill), Lady Cashier (J. Millar). (Winner trained by Beechener.)

Betting—6 to 4 on SCHUBERT, 9 to 2 agst. Santick, 10 to 1 Aldeano, 100 to 8 The Top, 20 to 1 any other. Tote (2/-)—Win, 2/9; places, 3/-, 5/3, 4/6.

Won by 8l.; bad third. Only the placed horses finished. Santick, Goldscleugh, Double Royal, Don Cossack and Lady Cashier fell. Le Tition III. and Ingrannes were pulled up. Time—6 min. 39 3-5 secs.

3.30—UPTON STEEPLECHASE of £82. 2 m.
Mr. Eric Platt's b. g. OCULTOR, by Collaborator—Oculiste, 5, 11-11 .... T. Rimell 1
Mr. S. Webster's FONTAINEBLEAU, a, 11-11 .... T. Isaac 2
Mr. A. S. Kilpatrick's VERIDAN, a, 11-11 .... P. Lay 3

Also ran:—Nowt To Laugh At (G. Wilson) last. (Winner trained by Rimell.)

Betting—13 to 8 agst. OCULTOR, 7 to 4 Veridan, 5 to 1 Nowt To Laugh At, 10 to 1 Fontainebleau. Tote (2/-)—Win, 4/6. Won by 6l.; 12l. Time—4 mins. 56 1-5 secs.

TOTE DAILY DOUBLE (10/- stake)—Anarchist and Schubert—Dividend, £5 17/-; pool, £559; 55 winning tickets.

Horses in Training

Strong Team of Jumpers at Craddoxtown House

By Our Curragh Correspondent.

MRS. A. SIMMONS' Donohill, who dead-heated at Leopardstown last Saturday with Joint Stock in the Corinthian Plate, is already a Conyngham Cup winner, and he has been entered for this event at Punchestown again. He is also in the Red Cross 'Chase, in which his weight is 10st. 13lb., and, no doubt, he will give a good account of himself in this. Mr. J. W. Osborne took the mount on Saturday, and he showed he had lost little, if any, of the old prowess in the saddle, of which in other years he gave so many samples. He holds the proud record of breeding, owning and riding the winner of the Kildare Hunt Cup at the Punchestown festival three years in succession. This was Alice Whitethorn, dam of Alice Rockthorn, winner of a memorable Galway Plate. The latter mare in her turn became the dam of Alice Maythorn, who won the Irish Grand National, and became the dam of a very fine young horse now in the stable at Craddoxtown House, Naas, a great quality four-year-old named Barghora, who looks all over a racehorse in the making.

Steady Jack fenced almost as well as West Point in Doitagain's race at Leopardstown, and on that running he is surely one to be followed at the steeplechase meetings to come. Baybush was a good second to the greatly improved Prospect Lad in the Scalp Hurdle. So the Craddoxtown horses can be regarded as being bang in form. Baybush, Donohill, Jack's the Boy, Blarney, Corn Prince, Steady Jack, National Lad, On the Go and Court-na-ree make a nice team, all winners as they are. Miss Mansfield's On the Go won his last three races, and appears to be one of the most promising young 'chasers in the country. He should do well in the valuable maiden events that figure so largely in our spring programmes. The horses in training are:—

Baybush, b. m., aged, by Swindon—Cherry Glen.
Donohill, br. g., aged, by Golden Orb—Elance.
Jack's the Boy, ch. g., aged, by Jackdaw of Rheims—Bargainer.
Blarney, br. m., aged, by Poor Man—Mary Lewis.
Ford Radio, br. g., aged, by Hartford—Radiogram.
Corn Price, br. g., aged, by Cornkale—Princess Tozzi.
Steady Jack, br. g., aged, by Free Return—Fugle Star.
National Lad, br. g., 6 yrs., by Lansdowne—Nationality.
Ballytontin, br. g., 6 yrs., by Tonton—Ballyconnor.
Court-na-ree, br. g., 5 yrs., by Romney—Beauning.
On the Go, b. g., 5 yrs., by Milesius—Miss Fugitive.
Silver Cat, ch. m., 5 yrs., by Catalin—Silver Fairy.
Barghora, bl. g., 4 yrs., by Embargo—Alice Maythorn.
Ki Yi, b. g., 4 yrs., by Viselius—Lady Kishaun.
B. f., 4 yrs., by Waveton—Alice Whitethorn.
Br. g., 3 yrs., by Jackdaw of Rheims—Alice Whitethorn.
Vienna, gr. f., 2 yrs., by Tiberius—Vallema.

Owners:—Mrs. A. Simmons, Mrs. S. Freeman, Hon. Mrs. H. Massey, Mrs. R. M. O'Rourke, Miss H. Ball, Miss D. P. Reynolds, Miss R. Mansfield, Mrs. J. W. Osborne, Mr. P. Minch, Mr. P. J. Murphy, Mr. J. Quinn, Colonel M. Hogan, and self.

Jockeys—J. Moloney and J. Marshall.

Point-To-Point

South County Dublin Harriers' Meet

The South County Dublin Harriers hold their annual point-to-point meeting at Cheeverstown, Clondalkin, to-morrow, the first race being timed for 2.30. Sixty-three entries have been received and big fields are expected. The committee have arranged for a service of cars and cabs to meet main road 'buses at Newlands Cross. The usual 'bus service passes the course.

CLONTARF SWIMMING CLUB

The annual general meeting will be held to-morrow evening at 7 o'c. in Moran's Hotel, Talbot street (by kind permission).

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WESTPORT RESIDENT'S ESTATE

AMERICAN COUSIN'S CLAIM

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE BLACK.)

An order was made admitting the claim of Irvin Jones, formerly of Myron street, Schenectady, New York, to be a second cousin of Thomas Jones, who had carried on a bakery and confectionery business in Exeter, Devonshire, and later had worked on munitions in London during the war of 1914-1918, before he went to reside at Altamount terrace, Wesport. Thomas Jones had, it was stated, died intestate in 1936, survived by his widow. He left personal estate valued at about £1,084.

Irvin Jones, it appeared, had read an advertisement concerning the next-of-kin of Thomas Jones while he was on a visit to Canada. He claimed to be entitled to £250 from the estate. He had died since the proceedings started and the present application was made by his personal representative.

Mr. J. C. Conroy (instructed by Miss C. MacBride) appeared for Mrs. Johanna B. Jones, Westport, widow; Mr Charles Casey (instructed by Messrs. P. J. Brady and Co.) for the personal representative of Irvin Jones; and Mr. Walter Molony (instructed by Mr. John S. O'Connor) for the Attorney-General.

STRUCK BY MOTOR CAR

MINOR AWARDED £360

(BEFORE THE PRESIDENT OF THE HIGH COURT.)

A settlement for £360 and costs was announced in an action of Andrew Walsh, a minor, Broad street, Cork, against Dr. Jerome I. O'Sullivan, New street, Killarney, claiming damages for injuries suffered by the minor when he was struck by Dr. O'Sullivan's car at Carrigrohane, County Kerry, on July 10 last.

Mr. Michael J. Ryan, K.C., and Mr. F. Vaughan Buckley (instructed by Mr. Gerald Y. Goldberg), appeared for Andrew Walsh; and Mr. J. M. Fitzgerald, K.C., and Mr. M. O'Driscoll (instructed by Mr. T. J. Hegarty), for Dr. O'Sullivan.

GIRL'S ACTION AGAINST RAILWAY COMPANY

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE O'BYRNE AND A JURY.)

The jury found in favour of Annie Judd, aged 18 years, Quarry Cottages, Killester, Dublin, in her action against the Great Northern Railway Co. for damages for injuries suffered when she was knocked down by a crowd of people when she was waiting in a passage way at Portmarnock station for a train on Sunday night, June 9 last; they also found in favour of her father, James, who claimed loss arising out of her injuries.

They assessed damages at £150 in the case of the girl and £50 in the case of her father, and judgment was given accordingly, with costs on the Circuit Court scale, with a stay of execution for fourteen days.

Mr. Michael Ryan, K.C., and Mr. Sean MacBride (instructed by Messrs. Lehane and Hogan) appeared for Mr. and Miss Judd; and Mr. Cecil Lavery, K.C., Mr. Brereton Barry, K.C., and Mr. Maurice Walker (instructed by Mr. C. Daillie Gage) for the company.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

SAILORS CHARGED WITH LARCENY

(BEFORE MR. McCARTHY.)

Frans Wener Gustefsson, a Finn, employed as second engineer on board the s.s. Cetvrtri, at present in Dublin port, and Antonio Pineda, a Spanish sailor on the same vessel, pleaded guilty to charges of the larceny of £30 from Antonio Rodregue, another Spanish sailor, on the night of 8th February.

On their undertaking to repay the stolen money, the case was dismissed under the Probation of Offenders Act.

Mr. McDonnell, Chief Probation Officer, acted as interpreter.

The men had first pleaded not guilty, and in the course of evidence, Branislav Ratkovic, a Yugoslav, chief petty officer on the vessel, said that the Finn had been in hospital at Valentia Island from 4th January until just before the robbery. On his return to the ship he had no money, because he was not entitled to any pay for the period when he was not on board.

Asked by Mr. McCarthy how the men were supposed to live if they received no pay during their time in a shore hospital, Ratkovic replied that they were helped by the Missions for Seamen. If a man was sick on board he received pay, but not after he had left the vessel, even if he left to go into hospital.

Mr. McCarthy—It seems a strange system. Ratkovic—It is our law.

PLANTS WITHOUT SOIL

WHY NOT A LETTUCE FACTORY?

Dr. Richard J. Hayes, LL.D., Director, National Library, was the guest lecturer last night, when he read a paper on Hydroponics at a meeting of Cumann Ceimicidhe na h-Eireann at the Contemporary Club, Dublin.

Dr. Hayes said that the principal equipment required for growing plants in a nutrient solution consisted of tanks over which were frames with wire netting supporting a layer of wood shavings, or such like material, through which the roots of the plant passed to the solution below.

Dr. Hayes described his own work on the subject, in the course of which he had developed a system whereby lettuce plants could be raised from seed over a germinating frame and moved every ten days to progressively larger frames arranged over the nutrient solution. By sowing fresh seed at suitable intervals a continuous supply of fully-grown plants could be made available. He considers his system capable of adaptation to mass production, and suggested that a factory into which lettuce seed was introduced at one end and out of which boxfuls of clean lettuce emerged at the other was one of the possible developments of the new technique. He said that the chief advantage of the new technique was the uniformity of results which could be obtained, but against this had to be reckoned the great cost of the equipment required.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. D. Mellon, seconded by Mr. R. Affolter, and supported by Mr. B. Fagan, Dr. T. Keane, Mr. T. W. Parkes, Mr. R. Hannagen and Mr. D. Slattery.

Mrs. O'Kelly, M.Sc., President of the Cumann, was in the chair.

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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Tuesday, February 18.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS UACHTARACH.
(The Supreme Court.)

At 11 o'clock. To be Mentioned—The National Union of Railwaymen and others v. the Great Southern Railways Co. For Hearing—Veale v. Cooney and another (new trial motion). The following case will next be listed for hearing:—Young and another v. Moran (new trial motion).

CLARATHOIR NA gCOIMIRCITHE CUIRTE.
(The Registrar of Wards of Court.)

Before Mr. Magahan, at 11 o'clock—Vouch account, J. A. Shaw and Co.; same, P. J. Flynn and Co.; same, T. G. Quirke and Co.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS.
(The High Court.)

In Court 6, at 11 o'clock: Action—McDonnell v. M. and L. Bank, Ltd. (at hearing).

JURY ACTIONS.

In Court 2, at 11 o'clock—Singleton v. Johnston (loss of services); Ryan v. O'Riordan (personal injuries); Molloy v. O'Riordan (personal injuries); Shanahan v. McAdoo (personal injuries). Unsworn jurors are required to attend in Court 2 at 11 o'clock.

In Court 3, at 11 o'clock—Smith v. Russell Bros., Ltd. (personal injuries) (at hearing). The jury sworn in the above case at hearing are required to attend in Court 3 at 11 o'clock this morning.

CUIRT CHOMHSIUIN TALMHAN NA hEIREANN
(Land Commission Court).

Land Purchase Acts. At the Courts of Justice, Four Courts. In Court No. 1. Before the President of the High Court (sitting as Judicial Commissioner), at 11 o'clock. Exparte Applications. In Chamber—Belturbet Urban District Council, allocate; Francis H. Downing and another, Trustees, etc., do.; Granville Proby, do.; Alice Stephenson, A.S.; Major Reginald Brudenell-Murphy (continued), do.; John Ed Rea, do.; Brig.-Gen. John E. Lloyd, do.; Mary A. Dunn and another, do.; Reps. of Jeremiah Mulrooney, do.; Paul M. Lindsay and another, do. In Court—Paul M. Lindsay, A.S.; Wm. Glover case stated; Digby Odlum, questions of law submitted by Examiner, Appeal Tribunal—Cases already notified will be listed for hearing on Friday, the 21st instant, at 23 Upper Merrion street, Dublin.

LAND REGISTRY.

Before the President (at the conclusion of the Land Commission list)—Exparte Motion, Motion—John Kennedy, a registered owner of land, Folios 458 and 459 Co. Sligo, application of Joseph Kennedy.

OIFIG AN MHAISTIR-MHEASAIREACHTA.
(The Taxing Master's Office.)

Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—Great Southern Railways Co. v. the Commissioners of Valuation, W. G. Bradley; Finlay v. Finlay, Longfield, Jameson and Hamilton; same v. same, Allen and Halpin; O'Dea to Allen, J. G. Allen.

Master Kennedy, at 11 o'clock—Curtin to Houlihan, I. M. Houlihan; Campbell to Holohan and Co., James Fagan.

OIFIG AN SCRUDORA.
(The Examiner's Office.)

Before Mr. Adderley (Room 104), at 11 o'clock—G. Kane, decd., Murray v. Richmond; J. O'Neill, decd., O'Neill v. O'Neill; A. L. Blake, decd., Blake v. Blake; G. B. Pilkington, decd., Beatty v. Pilkington; Companies Act and Waterford Improved Dwellings Co., Ltd.; Companies Act and Crooke Co-operative Agricultural Society, Ltd.; J. Kelly, decd., Coghlan v. Kelly; J. Tully, decd., Toolan v. Costello.

Before Mr. Greville (Room 103), at 11 o'clock—Murphy v. Kelleher; Hugh Moore and Alexanders, Ltd., and Reduced and Companies Act; J. Hogan, decd., O'Halloran v. Hogan; J. Condron, decd., Condron v. Daly; Rev. J. Wilkinson, decd., Tamplin v. Aston.

Before Mr. Murtagh (Room 108), at 11 o'clock—M. and L. Bank, Ltd., v. Cummins; P. Meaney, decd., O'Shea v. Meaney.

CONTROLLER OF INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY.
45 Merrion Square, Dublin.

At 11 o'clock. Decision of the Controller in the Matter of the Opposition to the Registration of a Trade Mark—Ranks (Ireland), Ltd., v. Martin McGuire, Ltd.

COIMISIUN TALMHAN NA hEIRANN.
(Irish Land Commission.)

At Examiners' Chambers, 65 Merrion Square.

Before Mr. Franks, at 12 o'clock—Joe Charles Higgins, discharge rulings and settle schedule. At 12.30 o'clock—Harvey (Ripley Rent), vouch.

At 69 Merrion Square.

Before Mr. Tyrrell, at 11 o'clock—Radcliffe, directions. At 3 o'clock—Uppington, vouch.

At 24 Upper Merrion Street.

Before Mr. P. Byrne, at 11 o'clock—Nolan, settle schedule.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.
Green Street Courthouse, Dublin.

This day at 11 o'clock. Unsworn Jurors Nos. 376 to 525 need not attend until Thursday next, 20th instant.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS CHUARDA.
(Circuit Court of Justice.)

Before Judge Davitt, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, at 11 o'clock. Civil Actions (with a jury)—Moloney v. G.S. Railways Co.; Barnett, an infant, v. D.U. Tram Co., Ltd.

Before Judge Shannon, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, at 11 o'clock. Motion—McMahon v. Nooney. Applications for Summary Judgment—Martin v. Byrne; Rooke and others v. Hilton; Gilbey, Ltd., v. Cronin and another; Freeman v. O'Reilly; Nightingale v. Delmnery. Civil Actions—Cooper v. Murdoch and another; Lennon v. Lyons; McDonnell, an infant, v. G.S. Railways.

AN CLARATHOIR CONTAE.
(The County Registrar.)

At 12.30 o'clock. Taxation of Costs—Hallowes v. Plunkett and others; Rafferty v. Simpson. Equity—Rogers v. Donohoe and another.

CUIRT DUITHCHE NA CATHRACH.
(Metropolitan District Court.)

At Morgan place, at 10.30 o'clock—Undefended civil processes; undefended ejectment processes; undefended civil processes adjourned from previous sessions; undefended ejectment processes adjourned from previous sessions; defended civil processes; defended ejectment processes. For Wednesday, 19th February, at Morgan place, at 10.30 o'clock—Defended civil processes adjourned from previous sessions; defended ejectment processes adjourned from previous sessions.

SYLVIA FANNIN, who conducted the Sylphan Singers in their choral recitals at the Royal Dublin Society yesterday.

BOARDERS

PAYING GUESTS at present resident at the Dublin Dogs' and Cats' Home photographed at meal time.

MORE BOARDERS at the Home. Above: A little invalided puppy. Left: A cat finds comfortable quarters. Right: Climbing for a tasty bit.

A GROUP taken at the Cistercian College (Roscrea) Union Annual Dance at the Gresham Hotel. Front Row (from left): Miss M. Henry, Mr. F. R. Creed (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. Dunne, Dr. J. Dunne (President), Mrs. Creed and Mr. B. Sherry. Also included are: Messrs. S. and K. O'Brien (Joint Secretaries), M. Ryan, B. O'Meara, G. Daly, T. Duffy, Misses J. Ryan, M. Kenny, B. Jennings, P. Cullen, M. King.

EVERYTHING is done to make the animals happy at the Home, but this little fellow is lonely.

THE COMMITTEE which is organising the Veterinary College of Ireland Students' Union annual dance, to be held in the Metropole Ballroom on Monday, 24th February. Seated (from left): Dr. St. J. Sleith, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Browne, Mrs. O'Dea, Mrs. Lambert and Miss E. O'Connor. Behind: Mr. G. Kane, Mr. M. Callaher (hon. secretary), Professor T. G. Browne (chairman), Mr. S. Kavanagh and Mr. T. McGowan.

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CYCLIST HIT BY MOTOR CAR

DAMAGES ASSESSED AT £35

In the Dublin Circuit Court yesterday, before Judge Davitt and a jury, William Hickey, Melvin road, Terenure, an employé of the Board of Works, claimed £100 damages from Commandant D. V. Horgan, Kimmage road, West, of the National Army Air Force, for personal injuries alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the defendant in the care and management of a motor car at the junction of the Rathmines road and Leinster road on the evening of 16th September, 1939, while the plaintiff was riding a bicycle.

The defence was a denial of negligence and a plea of contributory negligence.

Mr. E. M. Wood (instructed by Mr. F. W. Gilligan) was for the plaintiff, and Mr. Felix Sherry (instructed by Messrs. Little, O h-Uadhaigh and Proud) appeared for defendant.

In defence Commandant Horgan said that on that occasion there was a trial "black-out" in Rathmines, and he was driving his car about 25 miles an hour. He did not see the cyclist until he was three or four feet from him. He swerved at once and put on the brakes, but the front mudguard of the car just tipped the bicycle.

The jury found for the plaintiff, and assessed damages at £35, with costs.

Judge Davitt made the finding a rule of Court.

ABSENT JURORS FINED

When the jury panel was called over for the second time a number of jurors who had been served with notices to attend, failed to answer, and Judge Davitt imposed fines of £3 on each of the absentees.

An A.R.P. official who was notified to appear, attended and said that to all intents and purposes he was now on duty "all round the clock," and therefore felt that he could not give the necessary attention to jury work.

Judge Davitt excused the applicant from service during the present jury session of the Court.

WOMAN'S THREE WILLS

ONE ADMITTED TO PROBATE

(BEFORE THE PRESIDENT OF THE HIGH COURT.)

A settlement was announced in a suit which had been brought by Lewis Fetherstonhaugh, Grouse Lodge, Moate, as executor, to establish the will of June 23, 1939, of Miss Maude E. O'Donel, late of Grouse Lodge, Moate, who died on March 17 last.

In the event of the will being pronounced against, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh had claimed to have established a will of Miss O'Donel of February 16, 1939; and in the event of both wills being pronounced against, he had claimed to have her will of January 26, 1939, established.

It was stated that Miss O'Donel left estate valued at over £2,000 and that in all three wills Mr. Fetherstonhaugh's son, Toby, aged sixteen, was named a principal legatee.

The defendants in the suit were John O'Donel, Calderwood road, Whitehall, Dublin, and Dr. Charles McCartney, Prospect House, Summerhill, Gainsborough, Lincoln, next-of-kin. Dr. McCartney claimed to be a residuary legatee under a will of Miss O'Donel of January 23, 1937. His defence was the three ordinary pleas, and he had counter-claimed to have the will of January 23, 1937, established.

Mr. O'Donel had claimed an intestacy against all the wills.

Mr. Roe, K.C., who, with Mr. Overend, K.C., and Mr. Odell (instructed by Messrs. N. J. Downes and Co.), appeared for Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, said that Miss O'Donel had lived as a paying guest of the Fetherstonhaugh family for a considerable number of years and had formed a great affection for Toby. The settlement provided for the payment of £200 to Dr. McCartney for distribution among specified persons, and a payment of £100 to Mr. O'Donel.

Formal evidence having been given of the execution of the will of June 23, 1939, the President admitted it to probate in solemn form and allowed Mr. Fetherstonhaugh his costs out of the estate.

Mr. Costello K.C., and Mr. Andreas O'Keeffe (instructed by Mr. L. B. McMahon) appeared for Mr. O'Donel; and Mr. J. M. FitzGerald, K.C., and Mr. G. D. Murnaghan (instructed by Messrs. R. S. Magee) for Dr. McCartney.

CHURCH SERVICES

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—Matins at 10.45 o'clock. Venite, 253. Psalm, 90 (264, 265). Ubi Fortitudinis, 273. Hymn, 473. Evensong at 3 o'clock. Psalm, 94 (276). Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, C. H. Lloyd (1848-1919) in F flat. Anthem, "Jesu, joy of man's desiring," John Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10 a.m. Psalm, 92. Chant, 67. Jubilate, 56. Hymn, 535. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Psalms, 93, 94. Chants, 7, 75. Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, Wood in E flat. Anthem, "He that shall endure." Mendelssohn.

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